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Mother was, Mrs. Sarah Josephine Polk
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Aunt Manna

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Each day try to see one Pretty Thing,
In summer, winter, Fall Autumn or spring.
Then share your find with neighbors true
In turn it will, Bring good to you!
R. C. L.

NOW SPRING

by

Raymond Clyde Lanier

TODAY IS THE GENESIS OF SPRING
WITH SORT OF FACETIOUS AND TRANSIENT RING.
THE CLIME IS CHARGED WITH SIMPLE BEAUTY
AND MAN IS CHARGED WITH AMPLE DUTY.

THE LEAVES, THE TREES, AND HOPE, ON CALL;
A LARK IN FLIGHT AND MOSS ON THE WALL.
AMOROUS ROMANCE ISSUES AND DIES
AND THE SUN RIDES HIGH IN FRIENDLY SKIES.

WHILE HEARTS PULSATE IN COSMIC RHYTHM
A WORLD STRUGGLES IN RACIAL SCHISM;
HONOR, WITH PEACE HAS ESCAPED MAN'S GRASP
AND A BEFUDDLED HUMANITY STANDS AGHAST!

THE COSMOGONIC SIGNS OF THE TIMES MOVE ON AND ON,
SOMETIMES LIKE THE GRANDIOSE STORM------
OR SMOOTH AND SMUG LIKE A QUIET POND:
VICISSITUDES MAKE OR BREAK DESPOND!

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Wadesboro, North Carolina
1957

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To Mr. Samuel F. [illegible] Georgia [illegible] Carolina.

To W. A. [illegible] Supreme Court of North Carolina.

To my dear friend [illegible]

And lastly to my husband, [illegible]

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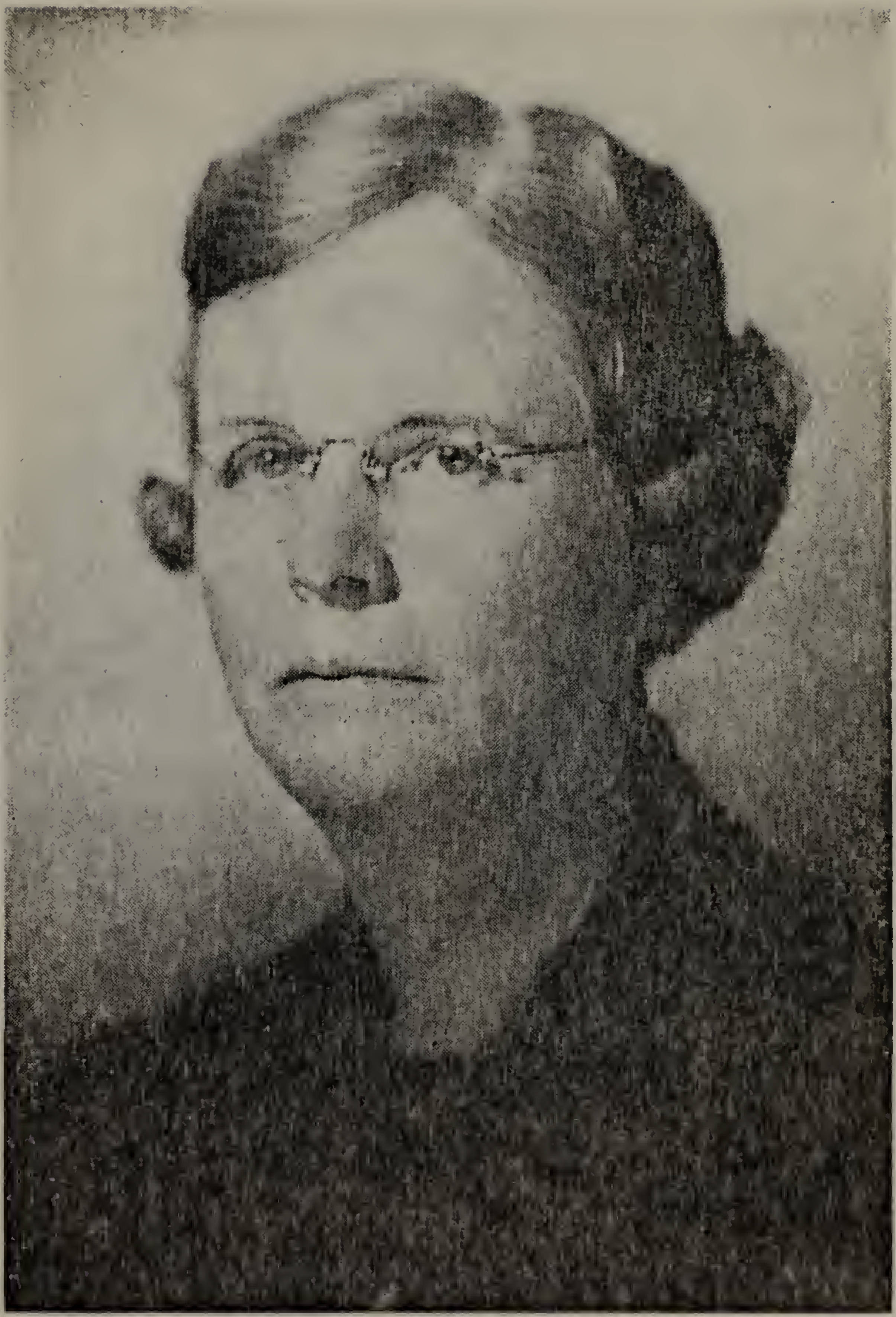

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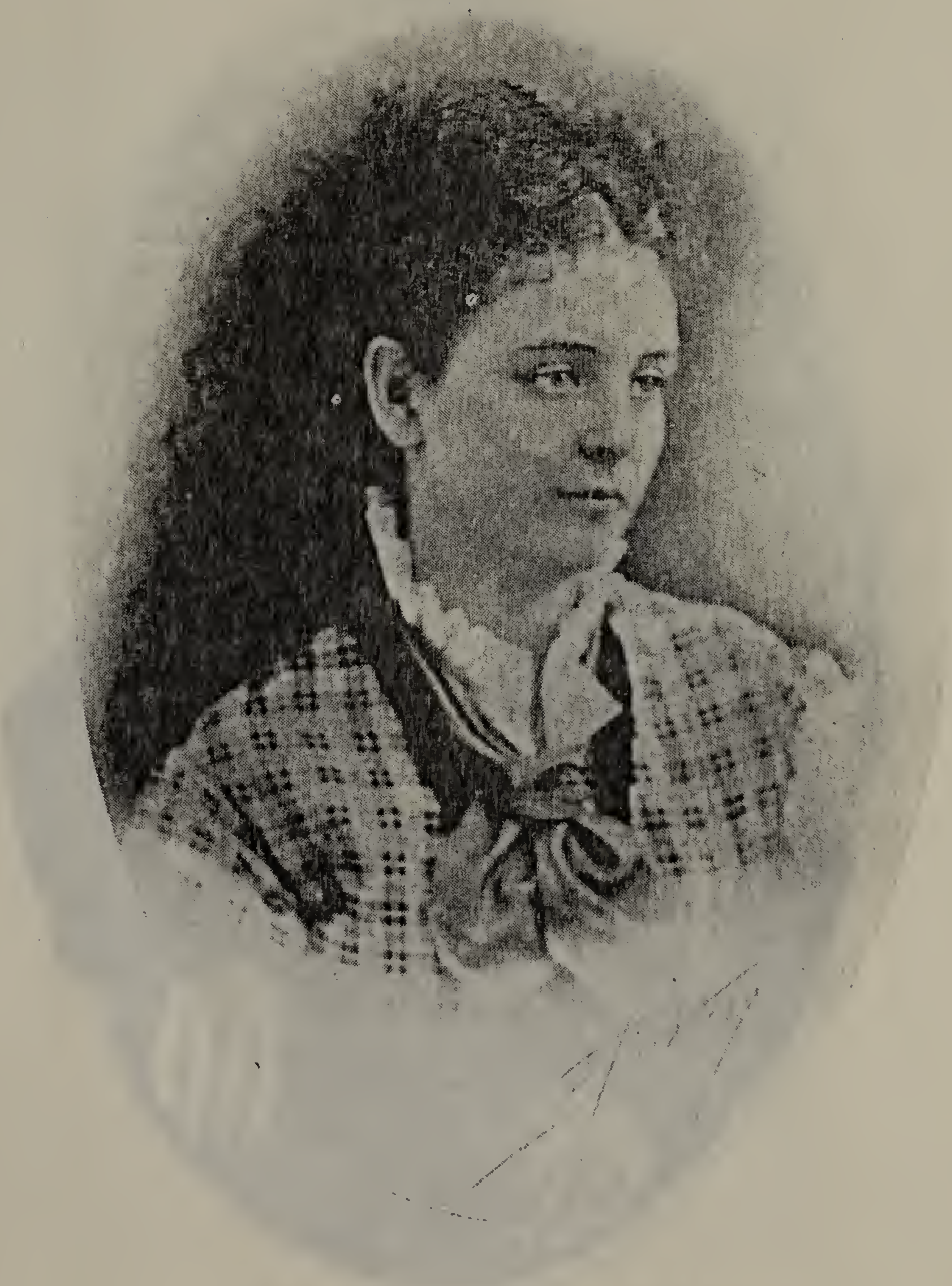

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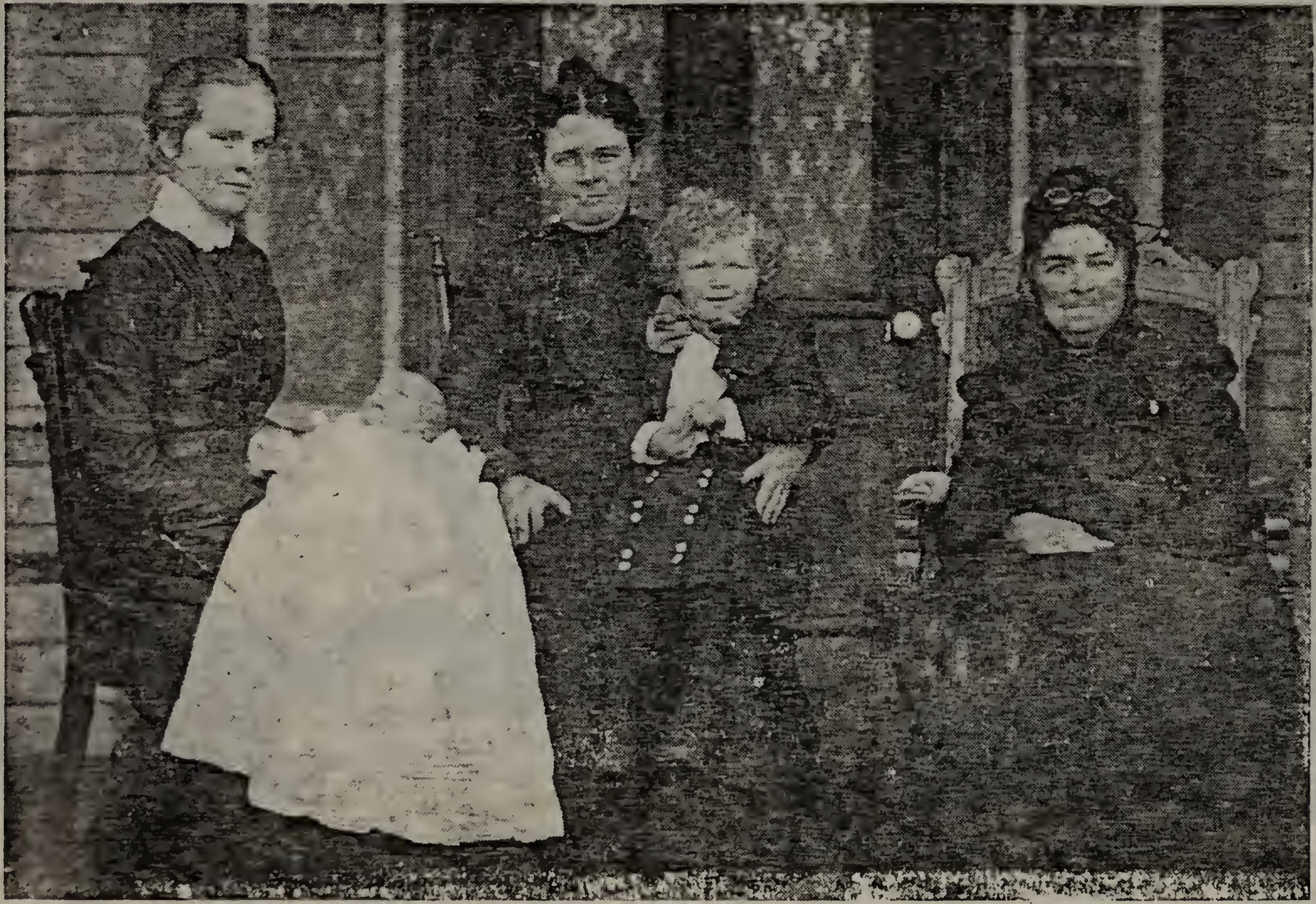

FOUR GENERATIONS — Photograph taken about 1901

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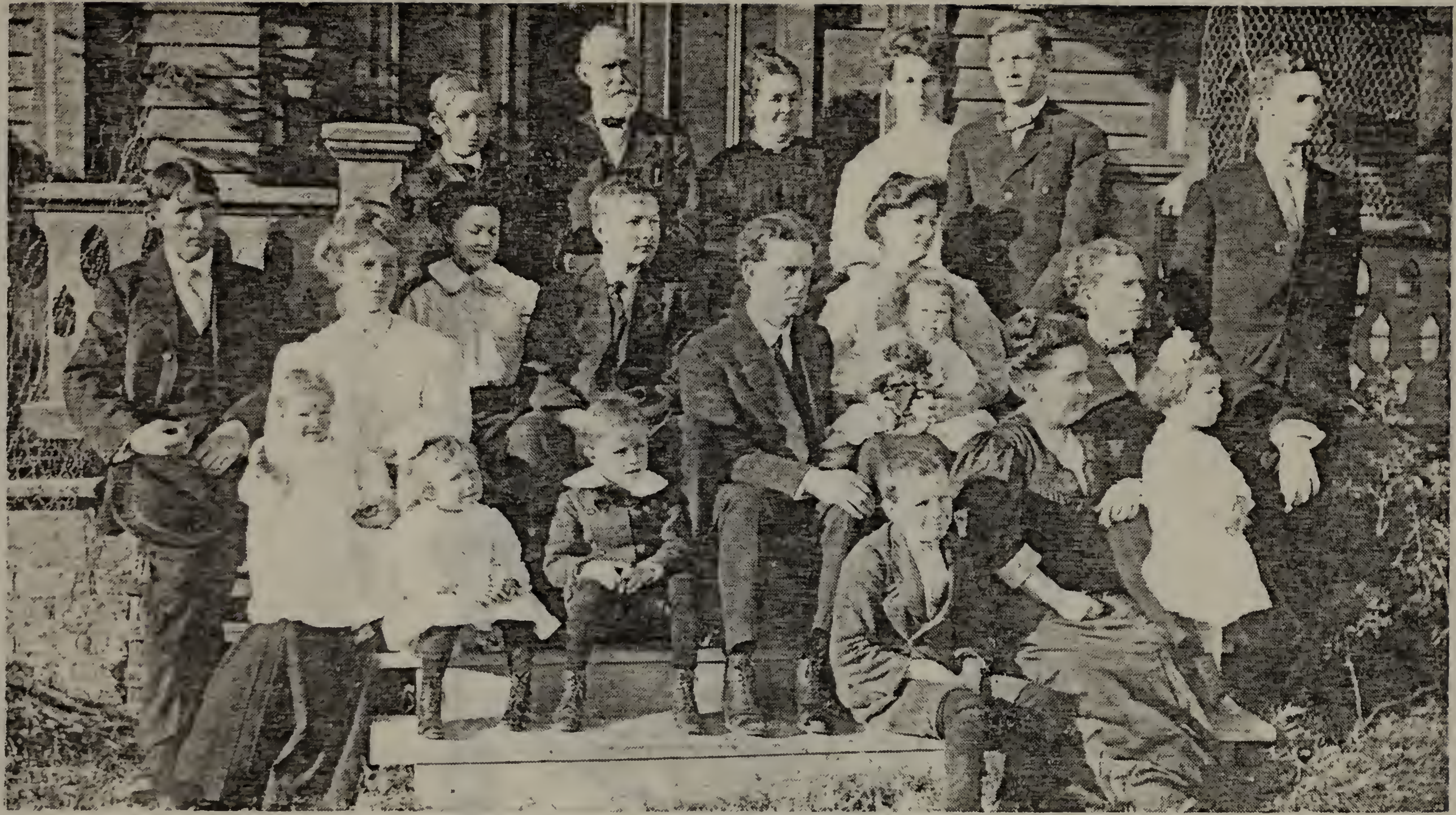

DR. AND MRS. WALTER JONES MCLENDON AND FAMILY

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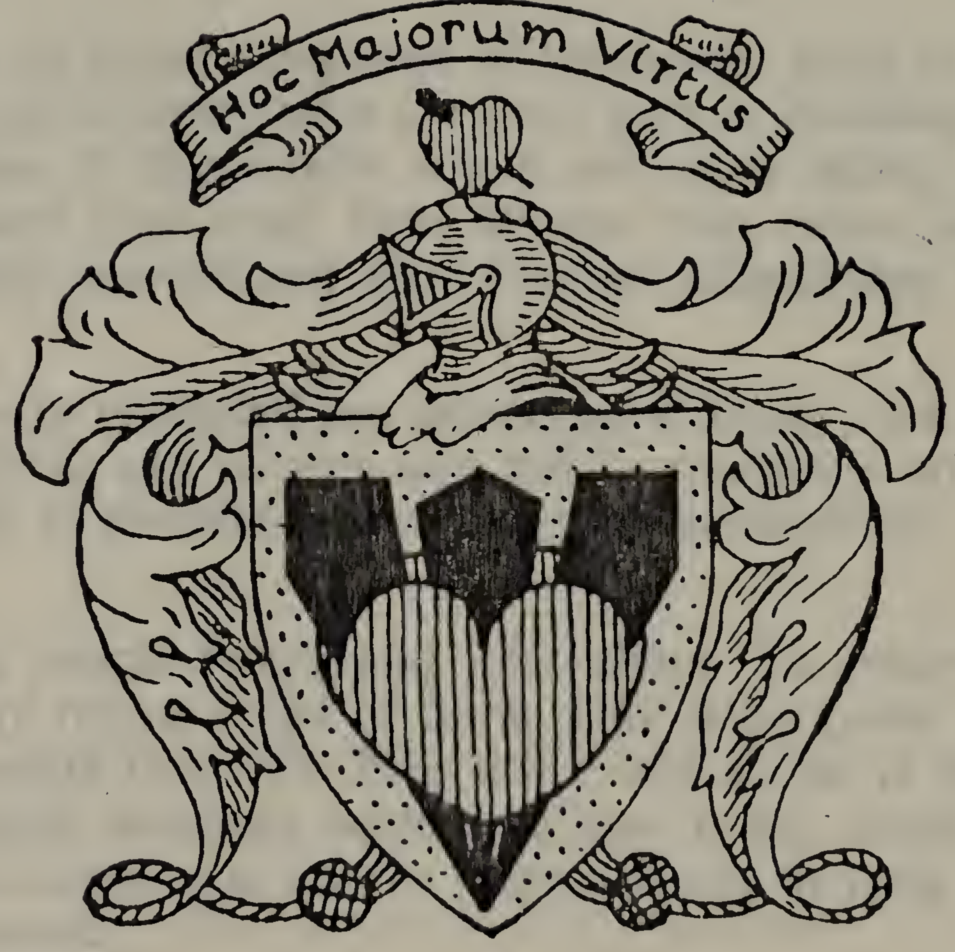
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McLendon Coat of Arms

Introduction

FOR MANY YEARS, I have been interested in my family history, and have collected much data which is authentic as well as interesting.

I like to know the names of those who lived in the early years of our country who did their part in building the solid foundation of democracy which we enjoy today. I like to know where they lived, from whence they came, what occupation they pursued and what kind of citizens they were.

We have neglected our genealogical history too long, and before all the old records and family traditions are gone we should try to assemble them for future generations.

Some people laugh and joke about "ancestors," asking how many rotten limbs or horse thief decorations we found on the family tree, but there never was a tree in the animal or vegetable kingdom without a few faulty limbs, and we know the human tree can be improved just as trees that grow in the ground.

If we know our family weaknesses or what talent we may possess, we know what tendencies to restrain and what tendencies to cultivate in self and children. As Americans we should know who laid the foundations of this great commonwealth. They were courageous and Godly men and women who suffered much that we might enjoy the blessings of liberty and prosperity.

And it is a great thing to teach our children that this is their own country, that it has been bought with sacrifice and

suffering by their own forefathers and it should be their aim in life to keep it true to those principles for which so many gave their lives and fortunes.

Thomas Babington MacCaulay said—"A people which takes no pride in the noble achievements of remote ancestors will never achieve anything worthy to be remembered by remote descendents."

And so I hope you will enjoy knowing some of your ancestors of the past, and perhaps a hundred or two years from now somebody may be proud to have had you for an ancestor. Your father and mother gave you their name. It is within your power to keep it one of honor, respected by your friends, by your neighbors, and by your countrymen.

Edgar Guest says, in his poem "Your Name"—

"It is yours to wear forever
Yours to wear the while you live
Yours perhaps some distant morning,
To another boy to give.
And you'll smile as did your father
Smile upon the baby there
If a clean name and a good name
You are giving him to wear."

CHAPTER I ✓

Origin of the McLendon Name

THE STUDY OF the origin of names is most interesting. Surnames were not used in the early days as we think of them today. In Biblical times there were no surnames—a single name such as Abraham, Isaac, David being used. Sometimes a word was added to distinguish a certain person—as Paul of Tarsus, Jesus of Nazareth, and John the Baptist. In 1890 there appeared a book, "Homes of Family Names in Great Britian" by Guppy. On pages 15 and 16 the following statements were made:

"Surnames were not used in England and Scotland before the Norman Conquest which occurred in 1066, and they were first found in the Domestic Book . . . men often took the name of the most conspicuous natural feature near their residences, such as a moor, a wood, a hill, and in the majority of cases . . . the family used it as a surname."

During the reign of King Edward V (1470-1483) Parliament passed a statute to compel the use of surnames in certain instances. Families often selected a surname to designate a certain quality which a particular family believed it possessed, such as "Hardy, Strong, Short, Small, Wise." Sometimes the occupation seemed to determine the name, as "Baker, Miller, Smith, Taylor, Barber" and so on. Then we find the surnames acquired from the place of residence, as "Brook, Lane, Rivers" and others from trees, fruits and flowers, as "Rountree, Berry, Melon, Rose."

In Scotland we first find our *McLendon* family located in Ross-shire in the northern part, in a settlement or an area called Logan. For a long time they were called "Logans," which is defined as a *place name*. In Gaelic it is called Loganreich or MacGill'ennein—the meaning of the name MacGill'ennein is "Son of Finnans servant." It has long been a

tradition in our branch of the McLendon family that they were sheep growers in Scotland. This may be correct because the word Ross-shire means a peninsula or forest, and the word "MacGill" means a resting place for cattle, a ravine or meadow, and therefore it appears logical that the MacGill'enneins were growers of sheep. As time passed the name was shortened to MacLennan, and they were known as the MacLennan Clan. The name McLendon and MacLennan is quite common in Ross-shire and Kintail today.

A Clan was a group of people composed of clansmen, who were related by blood. The Clan contained septs or branches composed of clansmen who had distinguished themselves in some way and their families sometimes became almost as important as that of the Chief. In addition to these blood kin clansmen there were often "broken men" or individuals or groups from other clans who sought and obtained protection of the clan. Each clan had a chief who dispensed the law in times of peace and led them in times of war. From *Clans and Tartans of Scotland* I quote: "At his induction the Chief took his stand on a stone where he took an oath to preserve inviolate all the ancient customs of his people. He was then presented with a sword and a white wand. A bard recounted the Chief's pedigree, enumerated the exploits of his ancestors and exhorted the Chief to emulate their noble example." In battle the clan carried a banner which they gallantly defended.

From early writers we learn that the early Celtic tribes were noted for their excellent weaving of woolen cloth and for the many beautiful colors used in its manufacture. The dyes were made from native plants. Each clan had its own tartan and the patterns were woven in plaids. The Logan or MacLennan (McLendon) plaid is in very rich and beautiful colors in light and dark red lines forming large squares interspersed with dark and royal blue squares interspersed with green squares.

Each Clan had a slogan or war cry, the MacLennan being "Druim-nan-deur" or "The Ridge of Tears." Their motto was "Hoc Majorum Virtus"—"This is the valour of my ancestors."

Each Clan also had a *Crest* or *Coat of Arms,* which was a symbol of honor and was always worn in battle. The first armorial bearings of a family, consisting of figures and colors, were made as shields and barriers. Later it was displayed on the knights' long surcoat, his coat of arms. This hereditary bearings of a family was a mark of dignity and distinction—and a badge of honor. Today our *surnames* have taken the place of the *coat of arms.* They have become names of which we should be proud and should be held in honor as one of our most treasured possessions.

The MacLennan (McLendon) crest is very interesting with the motto across the top, and graceful scrolls surrounding a heart, pierced by a passion nail.

SPELLING OF THE NAME

As time passed we find the name McLendon undergoing many changes in spelling. When Dennis MacLenden the Emigrant entered the province of Perquimans County the name was first spelled Maclenden, then Mackclenden, then Macklenden, all in the same account in which he proved rights for bringing eleven persons into the colony of North Carolina. When he was selected as a juror his name is spelled McLendon.

Later we find the name transformed from Macklenden to MacLennan, McClendon and McLendon.

The North Carolina branch of the family now use the name as spelled McLendon.

These variations occured in many instances due to the fact that few could read or write and affixed their names "by mark." The clerk or person transcribing the name spelled it by the sound or pronunciation, and used his own judgment when making entries in the parish register.

REFERENCE: "Clans and Tartans of Scotland" by Margaret O. MacDougall.
State and Colonial Records of North Carolina, Volume I.

Chapter II ✓

Early History in Scotland

The book *The Clans and Tartans of Scotland* by Margaret O. Macdougall, at page 138, gives the following historical account of the "Logan or MacLennan" family:

"Like the Livingstones, the Logans appear to consist of two distinct families, Lowland and Highland. In the 12th and 13th centuries the name appears frequently, and in 1329 Sir Robert Logan and Sir Walter Logan were killed in Spain when accompanying Sir James Douglas, with the heart of Bruce, on their way to the Holy Land. Lastalrig or Restalrig, near Edinburgh, was the principal possession of the Logans in the south. Sir Robert, of Restalrig, married a daughter of Robert II and in 1400 he was appointed Admiral of Scotland. The last Logan of Restalrig was outlawed and died in his residence Fast Castle in Berwickshire.

"Tradition relates that the Logans of the North, 'Siol Ghillinnein' (MacLennans), are descended from the Logans of Druimdeurfait, in Easter Ross. In the 15th century a feud between the Logans and the Frasers ended in a sanguinary battle at Kessock, in which Gilligorm, the chief of the Logans, was killed, and his widow carried off by the victors. The widow gave birth to a posthumous son of Gilligorm, who from his deformity was known as Crotair MacGilligorm. He was educated by the monks at Beauly and on reaching manhood took Holy Orders at Kilmor in Sleat and in Kilchrinin, Glenelg. Like many others of the Highland clergy at that period he did not remain celibate and his descendants came to be known as Siol Fhinnein or MacLennans. They were numerous in Kintail, and at the Battle of Auldearn in 1645, where they acted as standard bearers to Lord Seaforth, many of them were killed in their gallant defence of the Standard."

CHAPTER III ✓

Early History in America

DENNIS THE EMIGRANT

IN THE COLONIAL Records of North Carolina, Volume I, page 479, appears the following record of Perquimans Precinct Court:

> "The secont Monday in January 1696-7:
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> "Dennis Maclenden proved aleven Rits whoes names are under written viz Himselfe Charles Capen Mary his wife Margaret Dun Dumes Dun Rebecka Carpenter Elizabeth Macklenden Brient Macklenden Dennes Macklenden Francis Macklenden Thomas Macklenden." (note spelling)

Thus we see that the McLendons came to America sometime before January 1, 1696. As recorded above, in January on the second Monday, Dennis Macklenden proved rights for bringing eleven persons into the colony of North Carolina, viz: Elizabeth his wife and their children: Brient or Bryant, Dennis, Frances and Thomas, and the following others who were most certainly relatives: Charles and Mary Cafen (Coffin,) Dennis and Margaret Dunn, and Rebecca Carpenter.

Dennis McLendon, immediately upon his arrival in the Province of North Carolina, became allied with the leading families in the Province. He proved rights to 100 acres of land by importation of Michael Downing and Habella, a negro, and buys one slave to prove rights to 50 acres. He was a juror in 1703-04. He was a Justice of the Peace as early as 1705, for on the 10th of April of that year we find that court

was held at his residence, he being one of "His Majesties Justices." His home continued to serve as Court House until his death which occurred some time between the 1st of January and the 9th of July in 1706. His second wife and widow, Mrs. Deborah McLendon, allowed the court the use of the house until 1732.

From this circumstance we would suppose that the house was commodious and conveniently located in eastern North Carolina.

In 1702, after the death of his wife Elizabeth, Dennis MacLendon married a widow, Mrs. Deborah Whedbee. She was Deborah Astine, and had married first Nathaniel Sutton, who died in 1682, leaving children: George, Joseph, Nathaniel and Rebecca Sutton; her second husband, John Whedbee, died in 1697, leaving children: Richard and Deborah Whedbee. The Sutton and Whedbee children brought suit against Dennis MacLendon for recovery of their fathers' estates, and it was ordered at April Session Court, 1705, that Dennis MacLendon deliver all the estate of Deborah to the guardian of these children.

The will of Deborah McClendon was proven October 15, 1732, in Perquimans County, in which she leaves remainder of her estate to her son, Richard Whedbee, and to her grandson, Joseph Sutton.

Dennis McLendon was a member of the jury a number of times, "being chosen with eleven other wise and just gentlemen," and while serving as a juror a number of unusual cases were tried. Because of their interesting picture of the times we are quoting a few cases as found in Colonial Records of North Carolina Vol. I.

Page 588—July 1704: "Matthew Winn comes to prosecute his suit against John Jenins in a plea of 'Defamacon for Scandalizing and Asperising' the plaintiff with these words to wit: 'Thee art a perjured Rogue, a Hog Stealing Rogue, and I'll prove it.' The jury finds John Jenins guilty and he is ordered to pay Matthew Winn Two Pounds, ten Shillings and cost."

Page 605—"Ordered that Richard Davenport pay to John Falcon for debt, '*Six Barrels of Porke*'." This leads us to believe that their newly acquired lands must have been full of wild "piney-rooter" hogs.

Pages 594-595—August 1704: "The jurors for Our Sovereign Lady ye Queen Do present that Thos. Dewham Gent of the County of Bath have not ye feare of God before his Eyes, but being led away by ye instigation of the Devill, did feloniously and of mallice prefessed at several times with several weapons, but on particularly to witt, on ye Tenth Day of September Last in ye county of Bath aforesaid, against the Peace of our Late Sovereign Lord ye King, did with force and arms assault ye Body of Wm. Hudson their being in ye Peace of God and our said Lord ye King, and him ye said Wm. Hudson, Did then and there with a certain weapon commonly called the name of 'Catt of Nine Tayles,' feloniously and maliciously strike beat wound and kill the aforesaid Wm. Hudson, afterwards to witt on the 20th day of Sept. Last year in ye county of Bath then and there by the reason of aforesaid mortall strokes and wounds did depart this life."

"The jury being sworn upon Holy Evangelist to true verdict say 'Wee find Him guilty of Manslaughter'.

"Court adjourns till tomorrow morning 8 o'clock. August ye first (1704). The Court then orders that the said Thomas Dewham 'be burnt in Brawn of ye Left thumb with a hot iron having ye letter —M— and pay all costs that doth accrue.' Upon humble petition of ye said Thos. Dewham, Court in clemency reprieve said sentence until ye Majesties pleasure therein be further known."

Children of Dennis I

The following information concerning the children of Elizabeth and Dennis MacLenden, the Emigrants appears in Colonial Records of North Carolina:

1. Bryan or Brient Macklenden—A grant of land in 1739 for 130 acres in Carteret County, North Carolina.

2. Dennis Macklenden—Sells 400 acres to William Downing March 28, 1715. Witnesses: Wm. Sharpe, Thomas

Macklenden, Dennis McClendon. He buys land of John Bush 1717; also of John and Mary Early 1717—Witnesses: Francis Macklenden.

The above dates indicate that Dennis II, son of the Emigrant Dennis MacLendon, was born in Scotland about 1680. He married in 1700 Margaret Early in North Carolina. His will, made 1725, is recorded in Bertie County, North Carolina. He mentions children: Dennis McClendon, John McClendon wife Mary; daughter Mary McClendon; daughter Elizabeth McClendon; wife Margaret, daughter of John and Mary Early. Witness: Francis and Thomas McClendon; brothers, James Pope, Nicholas Fairless. (Ref. Grimes Wills of N. C., p. 288.) Both daughters, Mary McClendon and Elizabeth McClendon obtained grants in Bertie Precinct 1727.

The son, Dennis McClendon III died in Camden County, South Carolina, 1784. His estate was appraised April 17, 1784, and John Stone, son-in-law, was made Administrator.

3. Francis Macklenden buys land of Wm. Bush in 1704; Francis Macklenden and wife Frances sell 200 acres on July 28, 1717; on May 10, 1723, he sells to Richard Hilliford—Bk. A. P. 111 Bertie Precinct; Land grants 1722, 418 acres in Perquimans County; 1727, 630 acres Bertie Precinct; 1738, 600 acres Craven County; 1744, 600 acres Craven County.

4. Thomas McClendon had eleven land grants in Craven County, dates 1738, 1743. Earliest land grant in Perquimans County 1722. He claimed 17 in family, some of whom could have been slaves. He was prominent as a Road Commissioner and a vestryman in St. Patrick's Parish—New Bern. (See Chap. IV).

From the above records and from other records to be discussed later, we learn that the McLendon family of North Carolina since 1696 have been prominent leaders in the affairs of their states. From 1750-1810 there was a great migration of McLendons from North Carolina to South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, and perhaps other states. We find among them ten soldiers of the War of the Revolution in North Carolina, twelve in Georgia, four in South Carolina, and there are probably others, of

which the writer has no record. The McLendon name also occurs frequently in the Wars of 1812 and the War between the States. Towns, counties, streets, churches and public monuments bear the name of McLendon in all of the above named states.

Among our kinsmen may be found many average citizens as well as illustrious doctors, lawyers, politicians, statesmen, preachers, farmers, senators, college professors, and teachers, all doing their part in the building of America in many localities of the United States.

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Grimes Abstracts of Wills of North Carolina.
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North Carolina Land Grant Office.
Camden County Deed Book, South Carolina.
Bertie Precinct Deed Book A.
Craven County Deed Book 4.

Chapter IV

Thomas McClendon

Thomas McClendon was the son of Dennis McLendon and his wife, Elizabeth, the emigrants, who came to America in 1696.

He was born in Scotland about 1690, died about 1760, probably in Cumberland County, North Carolina. He married in 1714 Elinor Bush, born about 1692, who was the daughter of William Bush, Sr., whose will made in 1716 is recorded in Chowan County, North Carolina, and mentions:

Sons: William ("that plantation whereon he now lives"), John ("plantation whereon I now live").
Daughters: Mary Early, Martha Williams, Rose Winns, Elinore McLendon (one shilling each), Elizabeth Bush.

Wife and Executor: Martha Bush; Witnesses: William Cranford, John Smith.

After his bequest to his children, he adds, "I desire my two negroes in ye winter to make pitch and tar and freight it away to New England for such goods as shall best be for my wife."

The children of Thomas McClendon and his wife, Elinor Bush, where: Jacob born 1715, married Martha in North Carolina; Joel. born 1716, married Tamer ...., in North Carolina; Thomas, Jr., born 1717, married Louise F. .... in North Carolina; Dennis, born 1718, married Mary Ingram in North Carolina; John, born 1722, married Ann .... in North Carolina. We have been unable to find information of daughters of Thomas McClendon. It was customary in early days to give the sons preeminence in most matters, and the women were called by their first names only, which makes it difficult to find a woman's name before marriage.

Thomas McClendon was a large land owner and prominent in the life of Craven, Johnston and Cumberland Counties, North Carolina. He obtained eleven grants of land in Craven County. He claimed seventeen in family, some of whom were slaves.

In 1740 he was appointed a Road Commissioner "for ye King's Highway," which was an office of great honor as well as responsibility at that time. Others serving with him were Frances Stringer and John Herring, Jr. Their road began on the upper side of Great Contenten Creek and extended to the bounds of Craven County.

Thomas McClendon was one of the vestrymen of St. Patrick's Parish, New Bern, appointed by the General Assembly to serve until the general election of vestrymen.

In 1746 Craven County "had become so extensive that many of the inhabitants lived very far remote from New Berne town," so Johnston County was formed from Craven, and Thomas McClendon fell into the new County of Johnston. Records saved from the Johnston County fire were published in 1956 in the "Historical Journal of North Carolina," and disclose that during the years 1746 to 1754 Thomas McClendon sold many of his extensive holdings, and only one instance is given of his being a buyer. The names and dates of these transactions were as follows: 1746, tracts to John Baker; 1747 to William Dupree, Thomas Dawkins, Nicolas Porter and Rice Price; 1749 to Joseph Dawson; 1753 to Joseph Benton; 1754 to Mark Hamby and Jesse Crane. These facts prove clearly that he was removing from Johnston County. He next appears in Cumberland County, receiving land grants, and also buying land in 1748. The location of these tracts was on McLendon's Creek, a tributary of Deep River. All deeds mention "McLendon's Creek, formerly Buck's Creek." It is thought that he died in Cumberland County about 1751-60. The only other McClendons mentioned in the Johnston County record are:

Francis McClendon selling to James Thigpin in 1748;

Bryan McLendon to David Clarke in 1752; these two men were brothers of Thomas.

Dennis McClendon in 1752 sells to Moses Speight and John Thompson. This Dennis was a son of Dennis II and his wife, Mary Early.

Charles McClendon, who was buying land, was evidently a young man and could have been a son of the above Francis, who also had a son, Francis, Jr.

The above facts are given to show that as soon as Thomas McClendon removed to Cumberland County we find the names of five younger men who began getting land grants in 1748, along with Thomas McClendon. They were Jacob McClendon land grants in 1748—selling in 1754 and 1762; Joel McClendon land grants 1748, selling in 1754-1762; Dennis McClendon, land grants in 1753, selling in 1756; John McLindon buys land in 1773.

Thomas McLendon, Jr. and wife Louise sell land in 1775.

Jacob McClendon also buys land from Benjamin Dunn and wife Jemima McClendon in 1765.

There are two Joels mentioned in the deeds, one Senior from Anson County, and one Junior from Montgomery County and when they were selling their lands the names Thomas McClendon, Sr. and Thomas, Jr. appeared. After 1775 all of them had removed from Cumberland County, North Carolina to South Carolina, Georgia, and Mississippi, except Dennis and his son Joel, Jr., who came to Anson County, North Carolina. From all these facts it is logical to conclude that the five younger men were sons of Thomas McClendon and wife Elinor Bush, and were not old enough to obtain grants in Craven or Johnston Counties, but after arriving in Cumberland County records show grants and conduct of other business transactions, as recorded in Cumberland County Deeds. All of these men acquired land on a creek formerly called Buck's Creek and which was changed to McLendon's Creek. There is a site of a mill called McLendon's Mill on this creek. They sold to each other, and also witnessed many legal papers. Jacob seems to have lived in both Cumberland County, North Carolina. and Craven County, North Carolina. After selling his holdings in

1774 he appears in Wilkes County, Georgia, where he died in 1793. The children of Jacob and his wife, Martha, who died in 1827, were:

Isaac; Jacob, Jr.; Samuel, who married Sarah Ware and died in Georgia 1835; Travis, who married Sallie Edwards; Dennis; Amos (died 1800) who married Mary Douglas in 1790; Jamima, who married before 1765 Benjamin Dumas; Penelope; Laney; Nancy, who married John Hancock; Bithany, who married Wm. Love.

Jacob, Jr., Isaac, Travis, Samuel and Amos were Revolutionary soldiers, who removed to Georgia from North Carolina. Their descendants are scattered over many southern states, prominent in political, civic and social life.

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Craven County Deeds.
North Carolina Colonial Records.
Cumberland County, North Carolina Deed Books.
Family records in Wilkes County, Georgia.

CHAPTER V ✓

Dennis McClendon Sr. of Anson County

Dennis McClendon, Sr., son of Thomas McClendon and his wife, Elinor Bush, was born in Perquimans County about 1718—died in Anson County after 1790. He married about 1742 Mary Ingram—born 1728—died 1793-95. Their children were: Joel, born about 1744, died about 1789, lived in Montgomery County, North Carolina. He married Frances, daughter of Edmund Lilly and his wife Sarah Dumas. Jesse, born about 1745, married Ann .... Ezekiel, born about 1748, married Mary Dunn. Dennis, Jr., born about 1750, married Elizabeth Maxwell, went to Georgia in 1803. Semilia, married Gressett Johnson, and Elizabeth.

The family of Dennis McClendon, Sr., was living in Cumberland County prior to coming to Anson County. Cumberland County Deeds show land sales between the sons of Thomas McClendon as follows: Jacob sold his land on Deep River to his brother Joel, who in turn sold to their brother *Dennis*. Joel and *Dennis* sold land to their brother Thomas, Jr. Then *Dennis McClendon* and his sons, Joel, Jesse, Ezekiel, Dennis, Jr., and daughters, Semilia and Elizabeth, moved to Anson County about 1760-65.

Dennis McClendon, Sr., in the 1790 census of Anson County lists "one male over sixteen and one male under sixteen—one female." At this time Dennis, Sr., was an old man. His children were all married. The male mentioned in the census as being under sixteen was probably his grandson, Joel, born 1779, who at that time was eleven years old, a son of Joel I. (See Chapter VI).

An early record of Dennis McClendon, Sr., in Anson County is a deed to his son Ezekiel McClendon for 150 acres of land on Brown Creek. Proved in July Court 1774.

This tract of 150 acres was later sold by Ezekiel McClendon to Abraham Barber, both of Anson County, on December 19, 1786, for 200 pounds specie. This tract was part of a tract of 300 acres which was a land grant to Samuel Hough "by His Majesty's Letters" April 7, 1750. Samuel Hough sells it to Roland Williams; Roland Williams to John Gambrell; John Gambrell to son William Gambrell; William Gambrell to his mother Mary Gambrell; Mary Gambrell sells to Dennis McClendon, Sr. in 1774. Signed, Ezekiel McClendon. Witness: William Curlee, Frederick McClendon.

In 1787 Dennis McClendon, Sr. of North Carolina and County of Anson, sells to Benjamin McClendon for 100 pounds a tract on Brown Creek, lying between Samuel Hough and Joseph Hough including place called "Brook's Lick," which was part of a tract granted to John Colson 11th day of April 1768, signed Dennis McClendon. Witness: John May—proved in Court January 19, 1787.

In 1794 Benjamin McClendon sells this tract to James Hough. "A tract on Brown Creek which was granted to John Colson April 11, 1768, and sold to Dennis McClendon, Sr., and sold by Dennis McClendon, Sr., to Benjamin McClendon January 19, 1787." Signed: Benjamin McClendon.

The above three deeds prove that Dennis McClendon, Sr., was living in Anson County as early as 1770, or before.

On September 23, 1785, Dennis McClendon obtains a grant of 300 acres, "50 shillings for every 100 acres paid in by Dennis McClendon. In county of Anson on North side of Cabin Branch." Granted at Kinston 23 day September 1785 by His Excellency's Command, R. C. Caswell. J. Glasco, Sec.

Dennis McClendon, Sr., of Anson County, is granted a tract of 75 acres on West Branch of Brown Creek at Colson's corner. "Granted on the twenty-third day of September in the tenth year of our Independence and in the year of our Lord 1785." Signed: R.C. Caswell. By His Excellency's Command. J. Glasco, Sec.

On the 23rd day of April, 1788, Dennis McClendon, Sr., of Anson County conveys to Semilia McClendon (his

daughter) for 25 pounds a tract of 75 acres on West Branch of Brown Creek—Colson's Corner. A grant obtained by Dennis McClendon, Sr., 23rd day of September, 1785. Signed: Dennis McClendon. Witness: David Jameson, William Cupples. Mich. Auld, C. C.

On July 20, 1787, Dennis McClendon deeds a tract of 100 acres on Goulds Fork and Grindstone Creek to Elizabeth McClendon (his daughter). Witness: Isaac Lanier, Elisha Kindred.

Many more interesting transactions took place between Dennis McClendon, Sr., and other parties which may be found in Anson County.

Dennis McClendon, Sr., was accused of the murder of Aaron Baxley of Anson County in 1782. A committee appointed to investigate the matter reported that he was innocent of the charge and he was pardoned by Governor Martin.

In the Colonial Records of North Carolina, Volume 18, Page 148, appears the following:

> "Affidavit of Dennis McClendon of North Carolina, Anson County, Dec. 25, 1786.
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> "Received from the House of Commons read and referred to the Committee of Propositions and Grievances, which being made was referred in like manner and returned. Endorsed, read and referred on by the Commons." This grievance was probably in regard to taxes.

At the beginning of the Revolutionary War, Dennis McClendon, Sr., was said to be a Tory, which was often the case with the older generations.

The following letter from Colonel George Davidson to General William H. Harrington shows that he had a change of heart: See History of Old Cheraw, By Gregg, page 339.

> "On Brown Creek
> Near Laniers, 6th Nov. 1780
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> "Dear General,
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> "I proceeded according to your orders and on Brown Creek we took a Tory by the name of Thomas Blake.

> I put him under guard and sent him off to James Boggan's, but before they got there the prisoner endeavored to escape. The guards fired at him and killed him.
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> "Horses are very scarce in this quarter. I have collected a few beef cattle and put them in my field about three miles from where the river road crosses Brown Creek. I think I can gather a good many beef cattle in this county.
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> "*John May* came in to see me and promised to be of all the service he can to his country and indeed he has been very useful to me since I have been in these parts.
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> "*Dennis McClendon* was taken yesterday and brought to me by Major Miller. By *his own authority* the old man *intended* to come in as soon as he could find some of his *own county officers.*
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> "Our general muster is on Thursday next at May's mill and then the militia of this county is to be stationed at Lanier's Plantation on Brown Creek and then we will proceed to gather all the beef cattle in these parts. I have sent Dennis McClendon and Stephen Murphy to you in care of Lieut. Cotter. Please send me some salt if possible.
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> "I am dear General, Your most obt. Servant, Geo. Davidson."

There is no further record of Dennis McClendon, Sr., in Anson County after 1790. As he was spoken of as "old man Dennis McClendon" in the letter from Colonel Geo. Davidson, it is probable that he died shortly after 1790 in Anson County.

It is of interest to note that before Dennis McClendon, Jr., moved to Georgia in 1803 he acquired and sold much land in Anson County in the Goulds Fork and Brown Creek Communities.

REFERENCE: Cumberland County, North Carolina Deed Books.
Anson County, North Carolina Deed Books K, 2; Anson County 1790 census.
Grimes Abstracts of North Carolina Wills.
History of Old Cheraw By Gregg.

CHAPTER VI

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Joel McClendon, Sr.

Joel McClendon, born about 1744, died about 1789 in Montgomery County, North Carolina; married 1768 Frances Lilly, born about 1750, died about 1789. Their two children were *Joel McLendon*, born May 13, 1779, died April 4, 1855, buried in Anson County, and Benjamin McClendon who went to Mississippi in 1803.

Joel McClendon was the son of Dennis McClendon, Sr., and his wife, Mary Ingram. (See Chapter V). Joel settled in that part of Anson County which was formed into Montgomery County in 1778. Joel McClendon, of Anson, sold his Cumberland County land to Thomas McClendon. Witness: Jacob McClendon, Samuel McClendon.

The Court House in Montgomery County was destroyed by fire in 1840 and only a few of the old records were saved. However, sufficient proof has been found showing that Joel McClendon owned land in Montgomery County and that he was an influential citizen, being a Justice of the Peace. He was on a committee appointed by the Assembly of North Carolina to lay off a town for the county seat of Montgomery County. He was also a member of the Grand Jury in 1771 to inspect the public buildings and to make recommendations for their maintenance and improvements. Reference: "Anson County Minute Book Pleas and Quarter Sessions" 1771. His loyalty and patriotism is proved by an incident that occurred in 1781 in Montgomery County.

During the Revolutionary War, Joel McClendon was a Justice of the Peace for Montgomery County. He with Mark Allen, another Justice, had an enemy who accused them to the General Assembly of being disloyal to the Continental Government and asked that body to expel them from office.

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Joel McClendon, Sr.

[illegible] Montgomery County, North Carolina, [illegible] McClendon [illegible] Mississippi [illegible]

Joel McClendon [illegible] Dennis McClendon [illegible]

The [illegible] in Montgomery County [illegible] Joel McClendon [illegible]

[illegible]

Instead, that body appointed a committee to go to Montgomery County and to investigate the charges.

John Butler was chairman of this committee, and made the following report to the General Assembly July 7, 1781:

> House of Commons July 7, 1781. "General Butler from the joint committee appointed to take under consideration of sundry, the inhabitants of Montgomery County in favor of Mark Allen and Joel McClendon, Esquires, reporteth as followeth:
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> "That an examination into the circumstances of the charge and hearing the defense of above named gentlemen, it appears to your committee that the charge is *groundless*, and that the said Gentlemen never have behaved inimical to their county and have never taken protection of parole.
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> "Your committee are therefore of opinion that the said Gentlemen, Mark Allen and Joel McClendon, Esquires, who were suspended from acting in the commission of the peace, be released from such suspension.
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> "All of which is humbly submitted.
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> John Butler, Chairman,"
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> Page 448. "The House taking the report into consideration concurred there with and ordered it be sent with the following message to the House of Commons—'Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen: We send herewith report of joint committee on the address from Montgomery County. Concurred with by the House."

Joel McClendon furnished supplies during the Revolutionary War, as is set forth in old army accounts. From the Archives in Raleigh, N. C., unpublished files the following copy of a voucher for services rendered was obtained:

> "No. 1258, State of North Carolina, Office of Salisbury District. Lower Board August 21, 1783. This may certify that Joel McClendon ex-.................. his claim and was allowed seventeen pounds, six shillings and six pence specie.

John Auld
Stephen Miller
Thos. L. Chiles
Thos. Wade, Jr. Clk."

On the reverse side of the voucher appears: "Endorsed by J. McClendon

Test. Wm. Kendall
Jesse McClendon
Wm. Dotison. John B. ...."

From the book by Blackwell P. Robeson pub. 1956, "Moore County, North Carolina 1747-1847," page 10 we quote: "It appears that the third F.F.M. (First Families of Moore County) was the McLendon Family. Joel, Jacob, Jemima, Thomas, settled in 1748 at and above the mouth of Buck Creek, now called McLendon's Creek. They were large land owners prior to 1760, about which time they moved from Cumberland-Moore to Anson Co." In the above reference the name of Dennis McClendon is omitted. However we have proof that Dennis was with his brothers, Joel, Jacob and Thomas in Cumberland County and moved to Anson about 1760-65.

Also on page 201 he writes, "Officers recommended for Cumberland County Regiment 7th Co., Joel McLendon Ensign, Nov., 1770, John MacDonald, Capt. of 7th Co." and later "1771—Officers appointed Joel McClendon Ensign."

Moore County was formed from a part of Cumberland County in 1784, and in a Moore County deed book this record occurs: "On the 9th day of August 1800 between Simeon McClendon of the County of Anson and David Blue of County of Moore, 100 acres in County of Moore on Little River, *surveyed for Joel McClendon September 30, 1773.*

Wit. John Blue Signed: Simeon McClendon
(his mark)
Malcolm ...."

From Book A, Page 362, Moore County: "Ordered that Josiah Maples be appointed overseer of the road from 'McClendon's Creek' to the fork of the road . . ." On an old map of Moore County the location of a McClendon Mill on McClendon Creek is shown.

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Another reference to McClendon's Creek in Moore County was made by Hugh McDonald in his Revolutionary Journal, in which he gives the story of the Battle of Moore's Creek.

"From an old Montgomery County Deed Book—'Joel McClendon sells to John Davis 150 acres thirteenth day of Dec. 1787, in the eleventh year of our independence, both of the County of Montgomery . . . Tract located on south side of Huarry River. (Note: This land was in the same vicinity as Edmund Lilly lands).

Signed: Joel McClendon (seal)
Wit: Thos. Hearne

Micah Redwell Juratt Thos. Durham, C.C."

From Montgomery County—"Legislative Papers—Tax lists, 1780-1782.

Thomas McClenden
JOEL MCCLENDON, Esquire—95 acres—1 slave
Isaac McClendon—single—400 acres
Ezekiel McClendon—100 acres
Jesse McClendon, Esquire—3117 acres—4 slaves
JOEL MCCLENDON—75 acres—9 slaves"

Land Entries:
May 21, 1779—JOEL MCCLENDON—400 acres

Joel McClendon obtained land grant Mar. 4, 1775 of 2 tracts, 100 acres each in Anson County. In 1783, 150 acres; 1785, 100 acres; 1786, 100 acres, all in Montgomery County.

The name of Joel McClendon or his wife, Frances Lilly McClendon, do not appear in the 1790 census, therefore it is logical that both had died.

Although it has not been definitely proven by a will, a Bible record, or a marriage bond that Joel McLendon I, married Frances Lilly, daughter of Edmund Lilly and wife, Sarah Dumas, yet the now living descendants of his son, Joel McLendon II, born 1779, whose wife was Susannah May (Boggan) have evidence handed down by word of mouth and

scraps of paper from one generation to another, that this is true. In North Carolina, we find these three families *McLendon, Lilly,* and *Dumas* all original settlers living in the same communities, attending the same churches and owning lands touching each other or coming from the same land grants made to themselves or to others named. These facts are shown in deed books in Anson County, Richmond, Moore and Montgomery Counties; also in Colonial Records of North Carolina.

DUMAS FAMILY

In an Anson County deed we find the following record. Quote: "January 15, 1753 Benjamin Dumas, to Edmund and Sarah Lilly for 5 Shillings to him in hand paid and more especially for the fatherly love he hath for his child, 350 acres of land. Wit.: Thomas George, David Dumas, Benjamin Dumas."

This deed of 1753 proves that Edmund Lilly married Sara, the daughter of Benjamin Dumas. From other records we find that there were three Benjamin Dumas'. Benjamin Dumas, I, was born in France and came to America around 1720-23. His wife's name is proven by a deed dated 1755 between Benjamin Dumas and John Van Fauhoos, signed Benjamin Dumas, Martha Dumas. Some records indicate she was Martha Clark. In 1766 we find a deed "David Dumas to Benjamin Dumas . . . land granted by letter to Benjamin Dumas the elder, in his life time . . . which land descended after father's decease to eldest son David Dumas." Signed: David Dumas, Sarah Dumas. These deeds prove that Benjamin Dumas, the elder, was living in 1755, had wife Martha, oldest son David and his wife, Sarah, and that he had died by July Court 1766.

A tax list of Anson County in 1763 includes the name of Benjamin Dumas, the elder, and Benjamin Dumas, Jr.

Benjamin Dumas, Jr., according to records in the National D.A.R. also in Bladen and Cumberland Counties, show that he was born 1728, died 1797. Benjamin Dumas, Jr., first married Jamima McClendon, born about 1740; his second

wife was Ruth .... Some Genealogists claim that Jamima was a daughter of Jacob McClendon, a son of Thomas McClendon. Jamima McLendon was granted lands in Bladen County in 1758. Later in Cumberland County, which had been formed from Bladen County in 1754, we find that Benjamin Dumas and his wife Jamima sold land to Jacob McClendon, the description and numbers being the same as those granted to Jamima McClendon. Jacob McClendon sold these tracts in 1774, and moved to Wilkes County, Georgia. In his book, "Moore County—1747-1847" the author, Blackwell Robeson, says: "It is interesting to note that Jamima McLendon married Benjamin Dumas of Anson, last record 1765."

Benjamin Dumas, Jr., was one of 144 men from Anson County who, in 1769, signed a protest against the unjust laws of Great Britain, thereby receiving the name, "Regulators."

In 1784 Benjamin Dumas makes deeds of gifts to his children — namely Eleanor Lilly, Penelope Dumas, David Dumas, Benjamin Dumas, Silas Dumas, Jeremiah Dumas, Amos Dumas, Francis Dumas, and Elhammon Dumas.

Eleanor Dumas Lilly, born 1752, as mentioned above, married John Lilly. They lived and died in Montgomery County.

LILLY FAMILY

Edmund Lilly, born 1728, died 1808-15, and his wife Sara Dumas, born about 1730, were living in Anson County in 1753 according to deed above mentioned. Sara, his wife, was living as late as April 26, 1756, as shown by land deed in Anson County. He was a planter, a large land owner, and operated a grist mill in 1773 on Rocky River. The census of 1790 shows him as the largest slave owner of Montgomery County. He had a dwelling in both Anson and Montgomery Counties. Edmund Lilly was also a Baptist Preacher and is recorded as being pastor of Rocky River Baptist Church in Anson County in 1790. He was a deeply pious man, and a man of education, culture, and wealth.

He was also an ardent patriot. In January 1777 he was one of the jurors appointed to serve at the Court of Oyer, held for the District of Salisbury. In 1778 he was appointed to serve on a committee by the General Assembly for buying 50 acres of land and contacting workers for building a Court House, prison, and stocks for the new county of Montgomery. *Joel McLendon, Sr.,* of Montgomery was also a member of this committee. This is valuable evidence of the association of the Joel McLendon and Edmund Lilly families in civic and political life.

A complete list of the children of Edmund and Sara Dumas Lilly is not available, but we know of four: John, born 1755 who married Eleanor Dumas on October 18, 1777. James Pleasant who married Nancy Hendrix. Robert who married Martha Richardson. Frances, born about 1750, died before 1790, who married Joel McClendon in 1768. Since this marriage, the Lilly-Dumas names have been used in every generation of McLendon families.

For example, Joel McLendon, Jr., born 1779, and his wife, Susanna May Boggan, named their oldest daughter *Eleanor Dumas*, we think for Eleanor Dumas who was the wife of John Lilly, and a daughter of Benjamin Dumas, II being first cousins. A son was named *Edmond Lilly McLendon,* born 1819, and a son Benjamin. Edmond Lilly McLendon named a son Benjamin and a daughter Frances, who died very young. Mrs. Helen McLendon Gulledge named a son Edmond and a son Benjamin. Walter J. McLendon (born 1847) named a son Edmond Lilly. Preston A McLendon (born 1845) of Texas named a son Edmund Lilly.

REFERENCE: Cumberland County, North Carolina Deed Books.
Anson County, North Carolina Deed Books.
Minute Book, Anson County Pleas and Quarter Session 1771.
North Carolina Colonial Records, Volumes 17 and 22.
North Carolina State Department of Archives and History.
History of Moore County, North Carolina, by Blackwell P. Robeson.
Montgomery County, North Carolina Tax Lists 1780-1782.
Family Records.

CHAPTER VII

Joel McLendon, Jr.

JOEL McLENDON, JR., born May 13, 1779, died June 4, 1855, was a son of Joel McLendon, Sr., and his wife Frances Lilly. He married Susanna May (Boggan) on July 2, 1809, born 1774, died May 16, 1858. Children: Louis May McLendon, born May 11, 1810, married Mary Waddell, went to Mississippi, with Joseph Boggan 1850. EDMOND LILLY McLENDON, born February 25, 1814, married Sarah Elizabeth Huntley, daughter of Robert S. Huntley and wife, Jane Henry. Eleanor Dumas (Ellen) McLendon, born April 6, 1812, died June 17, 1897, married July 28, 1831, Jessie J. Liles, born 1815, died December 4, 1871. Frances McLendon, born January 5, 1817, died July 6, 1818. Elizabeth McLendon, born April 27, 1819, married Thomas J. Gaddy. Susan McLendon, born June 15, 1821, married C. Huntley.

Joel McLendon, Jr., was evidently a man of means and influence in his day. He and his wife, Susanna, were members of Brown Creek Baptist Church and are frequently mentioned in the minutes of Brown Creek Church as being present at the Saturday afternoon business meetings. He was on the board which dealt with the absence and misconduct of members. Joel was a delegate from Anson County to the Baptist Convention that met in Reeves Chapel, Chatham County, in 1835.

Joel McLendon and wife Susanna McLendon got a land grant from the State of North Carolina April 25, 1831, for 223 acres, approved in Court seventh day of October, 1831. On October 30, 1848, Joel McLendon gives to "My son L. M. McLendon in consideration for natural love and affection and for $1.00 in hand paid, three negroes, Hannah aged about five years, Smith aged about three years and George about

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Joel McLendon, Jr.

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one year, being an equal distributive share with my other children."

Again, Joel McLendon gives "to my son Edmond L. McLendon, in consideration of my love and affection and 50 cents in hand paid—a tract on both sides of Brown Creek, tract laid off to William Slaughter, in division of Peter Slaughter 250 acres, with reservation for life time rights of water, timber, wood, minerals for myself and wife Mrs. Susannah McLendon." Proved in January term of Court 1843. Witness: James Boggan. Also made gift of two slaves to daughter Elizabeth Gaddy.

Joel McLendon was buried in the Caraway Cemetery, located on the original land of Archibald Caraway, about half way between Wadesboro and Polkton on present Highway No. 74. In those days it was called the "Charlotte Road." On his tombstone is inscribed:

"Joel McLendon
Born May 13, 1779
Died June 4, 1855
Age 75 years, 10 mos. 21 days
Eminent member of the Baptist
Church of Brown Creek"

SUSANNA MAY

Susanna May, wife of Joel McLendon, first married John Boggan in 1791, by whom she had seven children, as follows: Sarah Boggan, born January 2, 1792. Joseph Boggan, born February 23, 1794, married Sarah Caraway, daughter of Arch Caraway, went to Simpson County, Mississippi. Judith Boggan, born December 1, 1796. John Boggan, born May 5, 1798, married Christian McRae, Montgomery County, North Carolina. Pleasant Boggan, born September 22, 1800, died February 28, 1825. James Boggan, born May 29, 1804, died November 6, 1882, married Sarah Smith. Louisa Boggan born March 2, 1807, married Wattie Maske.

Upon the death of John Boggan she married Joel McLendon, Jr., who tradition says, was her overseer. Being an overseer was a very important job as it required management of the slaves and farm operations. Susanna May was a daughter of John May and wife, Mary Boggan May, who was a daughter of Patrick Boggan of Revolutionary fame.

Susanna's father John May lived on Jones Creek in Anson County about five miles from Wadesboro, and Dr. J. H. Bennett, deceased, said many years ago that he was buried near the spot where he (John May) operated a mill. (See letter from Colonel Davidson in Chapter V). Children of John May and Mary Boggan were: Pleasant, married Jane Boggan; Peter, married Mary Blakeney; Susanna, married Joel McLendon; Nancy, married John Blakeney; Betsy married .... Gaddy.

Susanna May McLendon died in 1858 and is buried on "Slaughter Hill," which was a tract owned by a William Slaughter and which later changed hands between the McLendons and Boggans, as shown in Anson County Deed Books. On her tombstone the following inscription is found:

> "Susan McLendon died March 16, 1858 in her 84th year, after a long life spent in the daily exercises of every Christian and social duty. And having exhibited especially in old age a character most beautifully adorned with those simple virtues of an earlier generation.
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> God's finger touched her and she slept
> The hoary head is a crown of glory if it is found in the way of righteousness."

She evidently was a woman with a strong mind, as appears in the following agreement drawn up between herself and her McLendon children:

"SUSAN McLENDON TO LEWIS M. McLENDON, EDMOND McLENDON, JESSIE LILES AND WIFE ELLEN, THOMAS J. GADDY AND WIFE ELIZABETH, AND ROBERT C. HUNTLEY AND WIFE SUSAN.
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
ANSON COUNTY

"The following is an agreement made and entered into this day between Susan McLendon, widow of Joel McLendon, deceased, late of said County and State and Lewis M. McLendon, *Edmond McLendon*, Jessie J. Liles and wife Ellen, Thomas J. Gaddy and wife Elizabeth, and Robert C. Huntley and wife Susan, who are the heirs at law and next of kin of

said Joel McLendon, deceased. FIRST the said Susan McLendon agrees to consideration of her being allowed to enjoy the exclusive use and possession of the tract of land on one hundred and thirty acres which her Husband the said Joel McLendon died seized and possessed of during his natural life and also to take into her possession the following negroes belonging to the estate of her said husband, viz, Ralf, Bob, Flora, and child, Dicy and Annica and hold them for her own use and benefit during her natural life and being allowed to select from the Estate of her said husband such of the stock of horses and hogs and cattle farming tools and household and kitchen furniture as she may reasonably need for her to keep house and carry on a small farm, with the above named negroes and also in consideration of the sum of fifty dollars in money that she will and she doth hereby assign transfer release and convey to the said Lewis M. McLendon, Edmond L. McLendon, Jesse J. Liles and wife Ellen, Thomas J. Gaddy and wife Elizabeth and Robert C. Huntley and wife Susan as the heirs at law and next of kin to the said Joel McLendon, dec'd. all her rights of dower in the lands of said Joel McLendon dec'd. and all her right and claim to a distributive share of the personal Estate of said Joel McLendon dec'd. of whatever kind or description and the said land and negroes and the personal property received by her in this agreement to be returned to the said heirs at law and next of kin of said Joel McLendon dec'd at the time of the death of the said Susan McLendon.

"SECOND the said Lewis M. McLendon, Edmond L. McLendon, Jessie J. Liles and wife Ellen, Thomas J. Gaddy and wife Elizabeth, and Robert C. Huntley and wife Susan, do hereby covenant and agree with the said Susan McLendon in consideration of the release and assignment above made by the said Susan McLendon to release, assign and convey and they do hereby release, assign and convey to said Susan McLendon their right to the said negroes Ralph, Bob, Flora and child, Dicey and Annica and other articles of personal property referred to in the first part of the agreement during the natural life of the said Susan McLendon, the same and every part thereof to return to them at her death as the next of kin of said Joel McLendon dec'd. and they further covenant and agree with said Susan McLendon for the consideration afore-

said to permit the said Susan to remain in the quiet and unmolested possession of the aforesaid tract of land of one hundred and thirty acres to use the same as she may think proper for the ordinary purposes in conducting a farm during her natural life and also to pay her the said sum of fifty dollars in money.

"For the faithful performance of the covenant and agreement herein contained the said Susan McLendon of the one part said Lewis M. McLendon, Edmond L. McLendon, Jessie J. Liles and wife Ellen, Thomas J. Gaddy and wife Elizabeth, and Robert C. Huntley and wife Susan on the other part severally bind themselves and each of their Heirs, Executors and Administrators. In testimony whereof they have herewith set their hands and seals this .... day of Aug., 1855.
Wit. J. R.

her
Susan X McLendon (SEAL)
mark
L. M. McLendon (SEAL)
E. L. McLendon (SEAL)
J. J. Liles (SEAL)
Ellen Liles (SEAL)
T. J. Gaddy (SEAL)
Elizabeth Gaddy (SEAL)
Robert C. Huntley (SEAL)
Susan Huntley (SEAL)"

1850 Census Anson County

WADESBORO DISTRICT:
Dwelling 79 Family 79

	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate	Where Born
Joel McLendon	72	M	Farmer	$1320	N. Car.
Susanna McLendon	74	F			N. Car.

This census record is added to verify the fact that Joel McLendon of Anson County was born in North Carolina.

REFERENCE: Family Records.
Anson County Deeds.
Family and Church Cemetery Records.
Brown Creek Church History.

CHAPTER VIII

Edmond Lilly McLendon

EDMOND LILLY McLENDON, born February 25, 1814, died March 8, 1899, married Sara E. Huntley, born December 19, 1819, died October 28, 1881. He was a son of Joel, Jr. and wife Susanna May McLendon. (Chapter VII).

Edmond Lilly McLendon bore the name of his great grandfather, Edmond Lilly, long a prominent man, politically and religiously, both in Anson and Montgomery Counties.

Edmond Lilly McLendon lived on land on Goulds Fork Creek and Brown Creek, that had been owned by McLendons since the coming to Anson County of Dennis McClendon in 1760. His house was on the public road leading from Wadesboro to Polkton about four miles from each town.

Edmond Lilly McLendon's sister Ellen (Eleanor Dumas McLendon) who married Jesse Liles, lived on adjoining land on a beautiful hill. The old colonial home is still standing, owned by a grandson, J. M. Liles, of Wadesboro, N. C.

His parents, Joel McLendon and Susanna May, lived about two miles further back from the road and the old house of their son Louis is still standing. Edmond Lilly McLendon and his wife, Sarah E. Huntley McLendon, were members and officers of Brown Creek Baptist Church and are buried at the Church. They are frequently mentioned in the early minutes of the church. On August 20, 1856 Edmond Lilly McLendon sold to William Henry Huntley, Jesse J. Liles, John P. Winfield, trustees of the Missionary Church at Brown Creek 1 6/10 acres for $25.00, for the use and benefit of the said Missionary Baptist Church at Brown

CHAPTER VIII

Edmund Lilly McLendon

[illegible] Lilly McLendon, born February [illegible] [illegible]

Edmund Lilly McLendon bore the name of his great grandfather, Edmund Lilly, [illegible]

Edmund Lilly [illegible]

[illegible] of Wadesboro, N. C.

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Creek. According to the minutes of the church, the church was then enlarged and more space set aside for the cemetery. Edmond Lilly McLendon and Sarah E. Huntley, his wife, are buried in this cemetery.

Sarah Huntley McLendon was blind for seventeen years before her death. Her sense of touch and hearing were so acute that she could describe a person's appearance and recognize all her family and friends by their steps and voices. Her quilts, handed down in the family, were works of art in color and in designs of beautiful hand stitching, which often required several weeks of tedious work.

Children of Edmond L. and Sarah Huntley McLendon were:

I. PRESTON ALEXANDER McLENDON, born March 29, 1845, in Anson County, North Carolina, died January 23, 1892, in Rockwell County, Texas, at a village called McLendon. He was a member of Major J. M. Wall's Company from Anson County, in Johnson's Calvary, 43rd Regiment, North Carolina, in the War between the States, took part in the seige of Petersburg, Virginia. He married December 28, 1864, Anna Louise Burch, daughter of Joseph Jackson Burch and wife, Lizzie Johnson, of Chesterfield County, South Carolina. She was born June, 1847, died September 21, 1930, in Texas. After the death of her husband in 1892, she married Capt. M. S. Austin, lived in Dallas Texas.

Children of Anna Burch and Preston A. McLendon:

A. MARY EULA McLENDON, born April 22, 1866, died May 12, 1895.

First married Dr. Austin: one child, Preston I. Austin, who died 1944, married Aileen Matthews.

Second marriage, Dr. George F. Powell, died 1956, Turell, Texas: one child, Eula Powell, who married Dr. Grady Shytles, and lives in Abeline, Texas. Their children:

Grady, Jr., killed in service, married Betsy Reeves, Munday, Texas.

Powell, married Sue Bryant, have two children, Betsy and Grady. Lives in Post, Texas.

George Shytles, married Francis Smith, had one child, Preston Shytles, lives in Amarillo, Texas.

B. Frank Joseph McLendon, born January 18, 1868, married first Georgia Etta Briggs, died May 29, 1933.

Married second, Mrs. Equilla Baston, lives in Rockwall, Texas.

C. Lena McLendon, born February 1, 1872, died March 26, 1946, married M. K. Isbell, born October 27, 1887, died July 30, 1934. Their children were:

Grace Isbell, married John Henry Vaugn.
Grady Isbell, married Alma Robertson.
Fay Isbell, married J. T. Lofland.
Frank Isbell, married Jewel Reese.
Alma Isbell, married J. F. Gardenshire.
Mary Isbell, married Lee E. Musgrave.
Mack Isbell, and Lucile Isbell died young.

D. Annie Mauson McLendon, born January 1, 1874, died April 10, 1899, married Lee Briggs.

E. Edmond Liles McLendon, born December 22, 1875, died December 2, 1898, married Susie Reeves.

F. Joseph J. McLendon, born September 22, 1878, died March 8, 1879.

G. William Henry McLendon, born October 21, 1883, married Lessie Greer, lives at McLendon, Texas.

H. Irene Lucile McLendon, born January 19, 1886, died October 18, 1918, married Jesse Whitfield, Terell, Texas. Their children were:

Preston Whitfield, San Francisco, California.
Louise Whitfield, Greenville, South Carolina.

I. Mabel Elizabeth McLendon, born November 13, 1888, married Fred C. Cullum, Terell, Texas. Their children were:

Fred Carrol Cullum, Jr., died young.

Margaret Elizabeth Cullum, married L. N. Atchison, Pamka, Texas. Children: Henry and Powell.

Frank Henry Cullum, married Gwyneth Bivens, Snyder, Texas. Children: Jimmy Roy Cullum, Delia Jean Cullum, Edward Lee Cullum.

II. WALTER JONES McLENDON, born September 21, 1847, died November 24, 1927, lived in Wadesboro, North Carolina. (See Chapter IX).

III. BENJAMIN A. McLENDON, born 1849, died while young.

IV. HELEN LILES McLENDON, born July 21, 1851, died October 30, 1934, married William Gulledge on January 21, 1869, at her father's home, by Rev. Thompson. This family of six sons and two daughters lived in Anson County until all children were grown, then moved to Moore County, near Carthage. They were leaders and members of Deep Creek Baptist Church. The children of Helen McLendon and William Gulledge were:

A. HENRY EDMOND GULLEDGE, born July 8, 1870, died September 13, 1913, married Allie Gordon, of White Store Township, Anson County.

B. WILLIAM THOMAS GULLEDGE, born October 10, 1872, died July 4, 1898, married Emma Gaddy, who was a grand daughter of Elizabeth McLendon Gaddy, daughter of Joel and Susanna McLendon, Anson County.

C. WALTER PRESTON GULLEDGE, born January 14, 1875, died February 13, 1954, married Susanna Burch Jackson, Chesterfield, South Carolina.

D. ROBERT JULIUS GULLEDGE, born March 16, 1877, married Lela Gaddy, a descendant of Elizabeth McLendon Gaddy, Anson County. Lived at Carthage, N. C.

E. Annie Rachel Gulledge, born December 9, 1880, died May 9, 1943, married Robert Augustus Redfearn, Chesterfield County, South Carolina.

F. James Arthur Gulledge, born July 7, 1886, married Annie Lee Ratliff, of Anson County.

G. Benjamin Preston Gulledge, born July 4, 1886, married Helen Turnely, of Virginia.

H. Carl Lee Gulledge, born August 6, 1889, died September 10, 1955, married Emma Teal, of Anson County.

I. Sarah Ethel Gulledge, born January 26, 1883, married George Washington Ratliff, called "Watt." She lives in Wadesboro, North Carolina.

V. JULIUS W. McLENDON, born June 21, 1853, in Anson County, North Carolina, died February 7, 1933 in Mineral Wells, Texas, married Lucy Burch, born 1858 in Mississippi, daughter of John Sebrey Burch and Lucy Waddle, died February 7, 1933, in Texas. Their children:

A. Mary Lillian McLendon, born March 21, 1886, married John Roy Cullum, June 16, 1909; divorced; married Charles Harvey Fentress June 9, 1923, (Mr. Fentress died April 26, 1934); married Claude Alonzo Roys November 28, 1956.

The names of Carroll D. Fentress and Mary Corinne Fentress, children of John Roy Cullum and Mary Lilliam McLendon were legally changed from Cullum to Fentress following marriage of Mary McLendon Cullum to Charles H. Fentress.

1. Carroll D. Fentress, born August 11, 1911, married Harriet Thurman June 29, 1935. Children are Mary Harriet Fentress, born June 3, 1936; John Carroll Fentress born February 4, 1939, and Nancy Terrill Fentress born December 17, 1943.

Mary Harriet Fentress (daughter of Carroll) married Charles Whitley Casey August 25, 1956; child Charles Whitley Casey, Jr., born December 8, 1957.

2. Mary Corinne Fentress, born October 6, 1914, married Samuel Braley Gray, Jr., June 26, 1937; children are Samuel Braley Gray, III, born June 11, 1941; George Alexander Gray, born July 10, 1943; Mary Marshall Gray, born March 4, 1946; Lendon Fentress Gray, born April 13, 1949.

B. IDA ELIZABETH MCLENDON, born June 21, 1890, married Joseph M. Myers, Mineral Wells, Texas. Their children were:

Lena Myers, born March 27, 1915, married Daniel G. O'Neil, Claremont, California.

Julia Lou Myers, born February 22, 1925, married W. D. Thompson, April 14, 1956.

REFERENCE: McLendon and Gulledge Family Records.
Anson County Deeds.
Cemetery Records.
Brown Creek Church History.

Chapter IX R

Walter Jones McLendon

Walter Jones McLendon, physician, farmer and civic leader, was born near Wadesboro, Anson County, North Carolina, September 21, 1847, son of Edmond Lilly McLendon and wife, Sarah Huntley McLendon, and as already shown is a descendant of Dennis McLendon the Emigrant and wife Elizabeth, who came to America from Scotland and settled in the colony known as the Albemarle Province in 1696. He was married September 30, 1874, to Sarah Josephine Polk at her home near Polkton, by Rev. Benjamin Covington.

After an education in the local schools, he volunteered for service in the Confederate Army in the fall of 1864, at the age of 17 years. He enlisted in a company organized at Fayetteville in command of Capt. Benton Strange. He was sent to Franklin, Virginia, to do picket duty on the Chowan, Broadwater and Blackwater Rivers, about 40 miles from Petersburg. He was stationed at Garysburg and was one of four boys who were selected as couriers at the battle of Belfield, Virginia. He was appointed a courier for Col. Dennis D. Ferebee, 59th Regiment which was organized in the summer of 1862 at Garysburg, later becoming the 4th Calvary. He became ill in the spring of 1865 and was sent to Raleigh, North Carolina, where he was placed in the Peace Institute Hospital. (U.D.C. Records of Mrs. R. E. Little, Wadesboro, North Carolina.)

Walter Jones McLendon attended the Baltimore Medical College, receiving his M.D. degree in 1872. In 1873 he was elected a member of the North Carolina Medical Society, as shown by a copy of the proceedings of the Society.

He practiced medicine at Wadesboro until ill health caused by a throat infection forced him to relinquish this

career in 1878. During the years from 1872 to 1878, he was a partner with his father-in-law, Thomas J. Polk, in W. J. McLendon & Co., a drug firm in Wadesboro and continued the firm of McLendon & Co. until 1890. Retiring from the drugstore business, he devoted himself for several years to scientific farming, developing his own estate near Morven in Anson County, which was named "Peru." He was one of the early advocates of diversified, scientific farming in North Carolina. In this connection, he travelled over the State in Farmers' Institute Work, lecturing on diversified farming, value of growing legumes, and the need for crop rotations. He believed that agriculture is the foundation of national welfare, and he was a leader in the promotion of Farm Demonstration work. He was much in demand as a public speaker on agricultural subjects. Many of the ideas advanced by him for agricultural development have now become a part of the great National Farm Program.

While doing Farmers Institute Work he was associated with many N. C. State Leaders in Agriculture among whom were:

Dr. Tait Butler, State College; Dr. B. W. Kilgore, Agriculture Extension Director; Dr. W. A. Graham, N. C. Commissioner of Agriculture; T. B. Parker, Department of Agriculture; R. W. Scott, President of the Farm and Home Convention and a great leader from Alamance County; Mrs. W. N. Hutt, on Staff of Progressive Farmer, and Mrs. W. R. Hollowell, with State Department of Health.

Dr. McLendon was responsible for the establishment of the Anson Building & Loan Association, at Wadesboro, organized November 20, 1889, of which he was the president from 1893 until his death in 1927. He was a strong supporter of the North Carolina State College and its agricultural work. In 1900 he became interested in cotton manufacturing, and was one of the founders of the Wadesboro Cotton Mills, of which he was president from 1890-1900. He was active in the organization of the Pee Dee Baptist Institute which was located in Wadesboro, and which filled a vital need for many years for the education of boys and girls of the Pee Dee Baptist Association area. He was also a Trustee of Wake Forest College.

Dr. McLendon was a strong prohibitionist and was persuaded to enter the race for the Legislature on the dry side. His opponent for the "wets" was a brilliant young lawyer, James A. Lockhart, Jr. Dr. McLendon wore a full beard, and in order to make himself appear older and more dignified James Lockhart turned out his whiskers during this campaign. The race was hot and bitter and Lockhart won by a small margin. His sister afterward became Dr. McLendon's daughter-in-law.

He was a director of the First National Bank of Wadesboro from its establishment March 30, 1894, until his death, November 24, 1927; and of the Bank of Morven, N. C. from 1913-1927. In 1915 he organized a bank at McFarlan, serving as President from 1919-1927.

Among his contemporary associates in Wadesboro were: W. P. Parsons, Druggist, who bought the drug firm of McLendon & Co., changing the name to The Parsons Drug Company; James A. Hardison, wholesale merchant; John D. Leak, Banker; Charles M. Burns, Cotton Buyer; J. D. Horne, Cotton Buyer, Fertilizer and Farm Supply Merchant; George W. Huntley, Hotel operator and dealer in horses and mules; Thomas Hardison of Morven, cotton buyer and merchant; Dr. J. H. Bennett, Dr. Edmund F. Ashe, Dr. Henry Howze, Wadesboro physicians.

Dr. McLendon was known throughout North Carolina as a progressive citizen, ever ready to lend his support to movements for education and public welfare, and was an influential leader in the civic and religious life of his community. His outstanding characteristics were honesty, fairness, progressiveness, strictness in business relations, and just in all dealings.

He was a gentleman of the old school, tall, courteous, statesmanlike, possessing a keen sense of humor, known and loved by all classes of people.

In religion he was a Baptist, having been a deacon of the Wadesboro Baptist Church for 30 years, Superintendent of Sunday School and Moderator of the Pee Dee Baptist Association. He was in great demand as a speaker at Sunday School rallies and was a pioneer in the Sunday School movement.

Dr. W. J. McLendon and wife, Sarah Polk McLendon, had ten children as follows: Henry Howze McLendon; Walter Jones McLendon; Rosalind Ashe McLendon; Helen May McLendon; Larry Leonidas McLendon; Lennox Polk McLendon; Moran Dorith McLendon; Preston Alexander McLendon. Two children died in infancy: Sarah Josephine and Edmund Lilly. His wife Sarah Polk McLendon died October 23, 1924. He later married on September 6, 1926, at Concord, North Carolina, Mrs. Nora Patterson Chason, daughter of Mrs. Minora Polk Patterson of Greensboro. He died November 24, 1927, at the home of his son, Dr. Preston A. McLendon, in Washington, D. C., where he had gone for special treatment. Dr. W. J. McLendon and wife, Sarah Polk McLendon, are buried in Eastview Cemetery, Wadesboro, North Carolina.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Statesville, May, 1873 23
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THIRD DAY

Statesville, N. C., May 22d, 1873.

"The President called the Society to order at 9 o'clock. The Committee on Credentials made the following report, which was received:

To the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina:

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to further report that the following gentlemen, after due examination, are found qualified to become regular members of this Society, namely:

Dr. Walter J. McLenden, Anson County.
Dr. J. W. Vick. Johnston county.
Dr. John A. Allison. Iredell county.
Dr. Albert G. Carr, Wake County.
Dr. W. G. Johnston. Farmington.
Dr. Jacob M. Hadley. Lenoir County.
Dr. John B. Gaither. Salisbury.
Dr. P. L. Murphy, New Hanover county.
Dr. Isaac E. Green, Warren county.

We also find Dr. Hadley a properly accredited delegate from the Lenoir County Medical Society.

S. S. Satchwell,
H. Kelly,
James K. Hall,
D. N. Patterson.

Statesville, N. C., May 22nd, 1873

The gentlemen came forward paid their initiation fee and signed the constitution."

Chapter X R

Sarah Josephine Polk McLendon

Sarah Josephine Polk was born March 23, 1855, died October 23, 1924, married Dr. Walter Jones McLendon, on September 30, 1874 by Rev. Alexander Covington.

She was the daughter of Thomas Jefferson Polk, born June 17, 1819, died March 1885, and his wife Tillitha Vivian Williams, born April 22, 1819, died July 1903.

The Polk home was about six miles from Wadesboro and three miles from Polkton on the "Charlotte Road," which is now State Highway No. 74. In this home 13 children were born, Sarah Josephine being the youngest living child.

Sometime prior to 1872 the Polk house was burned. The only evidence left of this lovely old country home are two very large old fig bushes and one or more large oak trees, standing beside the Anson County prison camp, which now covers most of the area.

Thomas J. Polk and his wife, Tillitha Vivian Polk then moved to Wadesboro, and bought a home in a wooded section of the suburbs. The house was located on a hill which afforded a beautiful view of the surrounding territory. This place is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Turner, who modernized the old house, but left the smoke house and the quaint old milk house near the well, as originally built.

In 1872 T. J. Polk and his son-in-law, Dr. Walter Jones McLendon, formed a partnership as a drug store firm in Wadesboro, which continued until 1878.

Expressing a lifelong desire "to live in the mountains" T. J. Polk and wife moved to Swannanoa, a small village near Asheville, North Carolina, where he died in 1885, and

is buried at a Baptist Church nearby. His wife returned to Wadesboro and made her home, until her death in 1903, with her daughter, Sarah Polk McLendon.

Sarah Polk was called Sallie by relatives and friends. She first attended school at the "Caraway School House," a two-room building about halfway between the Polk and McLendon homes. The Caraway, Liles, Boggan, McLendon, May and Polk children attended this school and Captain J. C. McLauchlin was one of the early teachers. Here she and Walter Jones McLendon played together as schoolmates, which friendship later ripened into love and marriage.

Sallie Polk next attended Dr. Burroughs School for Girls in Charlotte, N. C., and then entered Peace Institute in Raleigh where she graduated.

She was a very beautiful young lady, with soft complexion, a winsome smile, blue eyes and curls which were the envy of all her schoolmates. She was rather short and stout and her nick-name was "Bunch." She was considered the prettiest girl in Anson County in her school days. She was very studious and especially good in English. How well do we remember her corrections of our use of English and especially the prepositions and adverbs used in the wrong way. Many times, we recall, when we couldn't find our school book or pencil or hat, and asked "Where is my hat at?" her answer would be, "It must be hiding behind the preposition *at*." She liked literature, especially relating to the Scotch and Irish, as the Polks were Irish, and the McLendons were Scotch, and was also a student of the German language at Peace Institute.

She was a devoted mother and wife, always putting her duty to her family and Church first in everything. She was ambitious for her children and all of the eight children were sent to college. Her philosophy was that "We will give the children an education first, and when necessity arises they will be equipped to take care of themselves. A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches."

Dr. McLendon gave her a gold wedding band ring, in which both initials were engraved when they were married, and on her 64th birthday, in appreciation of her long and faithful service as a wife and mother, he gave her a beautiful

diamond ring. At this birthday dinner, however, perhaps more than anything else that made her happy was a telephone message saying that her baby son, Moran, had landed safely in the United States, after being engaged in several serious battles in the European area, during World War I. She was an ardent member of the War Mothers Chapter in Anson County and had the honor of having three sons, Lennox. Preston and Moran, in World War I, all of whom returned home safely from overseas duty and active combat.

Dr. McLendon and Sarah Polk McLendon were among the pioneer founders and builders of the First Baptist Church of Wadesboro. Beginning in a modest small white frame house with a small membership, it grew with ever increasing membership into a handsome Brown Stone Church. The membership continued to increase through the years and the First Baptist Church is today one of the largest congregations in the town. The church was rebuilt again on a larger lot into a beautiful modern and spacious church.

At the time Dr. W. J. and Sarah Polk McLendon were rearing their own large family, there were Mr. and Mrs. George W. Huntley, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Ashcraft, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Covington, with equally large families, who helped to promote the growth of Wadesboro financially, socially and religiously. Two marriages took place between the Covingtons and McLendons—and the children and grandchildren of the five families are steadfast friends and business associates of today.

Sarah Polk McLendon's will was written in June, 1920. After making special bequests to her children she adds:

"Item Five: Lastly to my children with whom 'God the giver of all good and perfect gifts' has blessed me and their father, I leave the undying love of their mother's heart. Every pain of theirs has brought suffering to me and every triumph of theirs, has brought me boundless joy. Both their father and I have realized our fondest dream and desire in living to see them grow into stalwart and ambitious manhood and womanhood, and I desire to commend to them the impartial love and devotion of their father to them, and to me, with the request that they show him all the love and tender care which may be in their power to give him in his

declining years as I have tried to do in these previous forty-five years of our married life, and now my last earthly prayer which I trust I shall be privileged to repeat before the throne of mercy is that you in your turn may be blessed with God fearing children as devoted, as worthy, and as upright, as mine have shown themselves to be, and that they may ennoble the name they bear by so living that when their work is finished they will leave to their children a more precious heritage than was left to them. May God in his mercy enable you all to meet with me, Little Sally, Edmund, Lilly and the other lamented members of our family on the perfect day.

(Signed) Sarah Polk McLendon

COPY OF A VERY OLD PAPER IN HANDWRITING FOUND IN TIN BOX CONTAINING LAND PAPERS OF T. J. POLK (1819-1885) ORIGINAL COPY IS IN THE POSSESSION OF MRS. J. C. REDFEARN, WADESBORO, N. C.

"BIRTHS

Andrew Polk was born May 27th 1792
Colon Polk was born March 11th 1792
Thos. J. Polk was born June 17th 1819
Tillitha V. Polk was born April 22nd 1819
Their Children:
Tho. A. Polk was born Decm. 26th 1839
Mary R. Polk was born Oct 12th 1841
Colon Polk was born Nov 8th 1843
Wm. A. Polk was born Aug 8th 1846
Tobitha C. Polk was born Jany 14th 1849
Minora S. Polk was born Dec. 19th 1850
Julius L. Polk was born Mar 24th 1853
Sallie J. Polk was born Mar 23rd 1855
Charlie J. Polk was born July 12th 1857
Lidia F. Polk was born Aug 18th 1859
James Polk was born Aug 27th 1861
Thos. E. Polk was born Jany 25th 1863
Isaac N. Polk was born May 9th 1867
Josie A. Polk was born June 28th 1862

Thos. J. Polk and Tillitha V. Williams were married on the 14th day of Feby 1839 by Rev. Wm. A. Morris.

Josiah Horton & M. R. Polk were married on the 25th day of Jany 1859

(Sidney Mitchell & Colon Polk were married the 15th day of Jany 1861)

Jno. A. Polk and Sarah M. Sturdivant were married Jany 18-1865

J. L. Polk & Theresa Barret were married the 25th day of March 1874

J. L. Polk & Martha J. Hicks were married Feb 1889

Dr. W. J. McLendon & Sallie J. Polk were married on the 31st day of Sept 1874 by Alexander L. Covington."

CHAPTER XI R

The Polk Family

REALIZING THAT A few facts in reference to the Polk family will be of interest to the later generations of McLendons, the following information is added:

The origin of the Polk family dates back to about 1045 in Scotland. The first known ancestor being "Fulbert the Saxon" who possessed the vast feudal barony of Pollock in Renfrenshire.

Petrius, the son of Fulbert, assumed the name of Pollock which in later generations became Polk, as we know it today.

About 1440 King James the 2nd granted lands in Nova Scotia or "New Scotland" as Ireland was then called, to Robert De Pollock, a descendant of Petrius who emigrated to Ireland and became Sir Robert De Pollock of Ireland. He is the founder of the family in Ireland, where the name was often pronounced "Polk" as of one syllable.

Robert, the son of Sir Robert De Pollock, succeeded to the inheritance and he became Sir Robert De Pollock 2nd. His eldest son was Thomas Pollock, who succeeded to the Irish estates, as was customary in those days. Robert Bruce Pollock, the second son of Sir Robert De Pollock 2nd of Ireland, married Magdalene De Tasker, of French descent, who was heiress to the estates of Mowning Hall in the barony of Ross of Ireland.

This couple of Pollocks (Polks) came to America and settled in Somerset County, Maryland, before 1700.

Magdalene Tasker Pollock lived to be 92 years old and died at her home "White Hall" about March 1st, 1727. In

her will, which is recorded in Somerset County, she begins "I Magdalene Pollock," but signs the will *Magdelene Polk.*

She willed Mowning Hall in Ireland to her sixth son Joseph, who returned to Ireland.

To this union were born and reared six sons, John, William, Ephraim, James, Robert, and Joseph, and two daughters, Margaret and Anne.

WILLIAM POLK married Priscilla Roberts and it is from this family the Polks of North Carolina and Tennessee are descended. President James K. Polk is from the Tennessee branch. To William Polk and his wife Priscilla Roberts, were born Capt. Charles Polk, Capt. William Polk, Col. Thomas Polk, signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, of Charlotte, North Carolina, Capt. John Polk, Capt. Ezekiel Pork, and two daughters, Margaret and Susanna.

About the time the children were grown, they removed from Somerset County, Maryland to Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Upon hearing about the fine stretch of unoccupied lands in the section of North Carolina between the Yadkin and Catawba Rivers, in 1753 they came to what was then called Anson County, and from which Mecklenburg County was formed in 1762.

The family of Polks soon occupied a prominent place in society and became leaders of advanced political views of government and democratic ideas as opposed to Toryism.

CAPT. WILLIAM POLK, son of William and Priscilla Roberts Polk, born 1733 in North Carolina, died 1789 in Mecklenburg County, served as Captain in the North Carolina Militia in the Revolutionary War. He reared two sons: Thomas and John, by his first wife, whose name is unknown, and a son, Ezekiel, by a second wife, whose name is also unknown.

THOMAS POLK, son of Capt. William Polk, was born 1757 in Mecklenburg County, died 1842 in Anson County. He married Mary Shelby, born 1760 in Chesterfield District, South Carolina, died 1740 in Anson County. Mary Shelby is said to be a daughter of Gen. Evan Shelby and sister of

Reece Shelby, of South Carolina, both of Revolutionary War fame. In his extreme old age he married Keziah Tarlton, from which union no children were born.

Children of Thomas Polk and wife, Mary Shelby, were:

1. Shelby Polk, who moved to Tennessee prior to 1845.

2. Hannah Polk, who married .... Sides in Union County, North Carolina.

3. ANDREW POLK, born May 27, 1792, died October 2, 1850, in Anson County. His wife was Colon Caraway, born January 11, 1792, died August 11, 1834. Their children were:

(a) THOMAS JEFFERSON POLK, born June 17, 1819, died March 1885. Married Tillitha Williams, born April 22, 1819, died July 1903—parents of Sarah Polk McLendon.

(b) Marshall Polk married Mary Boggan.

(c) James W. Polk married Susanna Faulkner in Anson County, removed to Little Rock, Arkansas.

Andrew Polk married a second time Cyrene Autry, born May 15, 1811, died January 16, 1843. To this union was born Col. Leonidas Lafayette Polk, great political leader, founder of the Progressive Farmer, a sponsor of Meredith College and North Carolina State College, was a candidate for President of the United States at his untimely death, married Sarah Gaddy, of Anson County, lived in Raleigh, North Carolina.

The above facts on the Polk family were gathered from records of C. N. Simpson, of Monroe, North Carolina, Bible records of T. J. Polk, Tombstone records in Caraway Cemetery, records in War Department, Washington, Division of the estate of William Polk, p. 95, and Revolutionary services of William Polk, pp. 95, 97, 99, in Polk Family and Kinsmen services, in Congressional Library, Washington, D. C., and from Anson County, North Carolina Deed Books.

Andrew Polk's first wife, Colon Caraway, was a daughter of Archie Caraway, and his wife, Elizabeth Taylor. They were married in Sampson County and came to Anson County about 1795. He received his first land grant in Anson County in 1799, and settled in the same section of the county as the McLendon, Boggan, Polk and Williams families were living. He soon became a large land owner and prominent in Anson County affairs. Several land transactions took place between

Archie Caraway, Andrew Polk, James Boggan and Edmond Lilly McLendon, who also witnessed his will.

Elizabeth Taylor Caraway was a daughter of Rev. William Taylor, born about 1750 in North Carolina, and his wife Mary Billingsly. He was a leading Baptist preacher in the Kehukee Baptist Association which embraced Sampson, Cumberland and Wake Counties, holding a pastorate at Neils Creek Baptist Church. He moved to Anson County after 1798. In 1802 Rev. William Taylor was appointed on a committee by the General Assembly to establish a school at Wadesboro. In 1807 we find a record of a deed from Archie Caraway to Rev. William Taylor for 50 acres, which was probably a home place for the then elderly preacher. He died in Georgia in 1812. That he was a Revolutionary soldier is shown by the following copy of a letter from the War Department:

"Adjutant General Office, War Department, July 21, 1947. Soldier William Taylor served with Col. Abraham Shepard's Co. 10th Regiment, N. C. enlisted Aug. 12, 1777, omitted June 1778. The said William Taylor, Baptist Preacher acting in capacity of Private."

The above facts found in "History of N. C. Baptists 1663-1805," by Geo. Paschal, Vol. 1, p. 491 and "Church History" p. 708, War Dept., Washington, D. C.

In the Caraway Cemetery on Highway 74, between Wadesboro and Polkton, the following inscriptions, among others, are found: "Archie Caraway died Sept. 18, 1835, age 69 years, 6 mos., 29 days.

Elizabeth Caraway
consort of
Archibald Caraway
and daughter of
Rev. Wm. Taylor,
was born 1st of Sept., 1777
and died 8th of Feb., 1821

Colon Polk
born Jan 11, 1799
died Aug. 11, 1834

Andrew Polk
born May 27, 1792
died Oct. 2, 1850

Cyrene C. Polk
born
May 15, 1811
Died Jan. 16, 1853
Age 41."

Also Joel McLendon (Chapter VII).

CHAPTER XII

Children of Walter Jones and Sarah Polk McLendon

HENRY HOWZE McLENDON, born July 2, 1875, died May 9, 1934, son of Walter Jones McLendon and wife Sarah Polk McLendon. He was named "Henry Howze" for Dr. Henry Howze, who lived and practiced medicine in Wadesboro in the early days.

He graduated from Wake Forest College, where he studied Law and received his law license in 1896. He pursued legal studies in Washington, D. C. for one year and in 1897 began a highly successful legal career in Wadesboro, N. C., which continued until his death. After a few years of practice alone, he formed a partnership with Mr. F. E. Thomas and then in 1916 he formed a partnership with Mr. B. M. Covington. The firm of McLendon & Covington was very successful, appearing on one side or the other in practically all cases. Howze McLendon was especially successful in criminal cases. He was a student of human nature, with a wide knowledge of people. He was deeply interested in public affairs, but never sought or held any political office. His advice and influence was often sought in political affairs. He was for years a member of the Board of the School for the Blind at Raleigh, in which he was deeply interested. He was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Wadesboro and at his death was the oldest active member of the Wadesboro Bar.

On November 5, 1902, he married Margie Ashe Lockhart, born November 8, 1878, died June 9, 1954. Margie, a good conversationalist, was keenly interested in politics, liked people and possessed a keen sense of humor. She had hosts of devoted friends. She was descended from a long line of distinguished maternal and paternal ancestors.

CHAPTER XIII

Children of Walter Lenox and Sarah Hall McLanahan

[illegible] and a leading merchant of Washington in the early days.

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Child:

A. Caroline Ashe McLendon, born September 10, 1906. Attended St. Mary's College, Raleigh, N. C., married January 6, 1924, Hugh Bennett Hardison, born December 28, 1900, Collector Internal Revenue Department of North Carolina, office at Wadesboro.

Children:

1. Hugh Bennett Hardison, Jr., born September 3, 1925. While in service in Shanghai, China, February 10, 1947, married Teresa O'Diong, of Korea, born September 12, 1925.

Military Service: Volunteered U. S. Navy August, 1943. Attended weather school at U.S.N.A.S. Jacksonville, Florida, promoted to Aerographers Mate 3rd Class February 1944. Instructor at U.S.N.A.S. Municipal Airport May 1944 to November 1944. Attended Demolition School, Washington, D. C., Aberdeen Proving Grounds. Promoted to Aer. M. 2nd Class. Volunteered to serve with Chinese Guerrilla Armies November 1944, further training in Calcutta, India. Served with Chinese Guerrillas behind Enemy Lines in interior of China May 1945 to June 1946. Worked with United Nations in Shanghai until December 1947 when, because of Communist pressure returned to United States.

2. Margaret ("Peggy") Lockhart Hardison, born February 4, 1927. "Peggy" attended W.C.U.N.C., Greensboro, N. C., taking a business course. She married October 23, 1948, Frank Hancock Pruette, born October 10, 1923. Frank is connected with the Carolina Power & Light Company, Sanford, N. C. Children:

(a) Margaret Ashe ("Meg") Pruette, born May 17, 1952;

(b) Frank Pruette, Jr., born August, 1956.

3. Howze ("Mac") McLendon Hardison, born October 17, 1933, married Betty Jean Hough, born June 1, 1935. "Mac" is employed with the Highway Department, Wadesboro, N. C. Children:

(a) William ("Bill") McLendon Hardison, born April 22, 1952.

(b) John Ashe Hardison, born August 2, 1953.

(c) Robert Braswell Hardison, born March 21, 1956.

II. WALTER JONES McLENDON, JR., son of W. J. McLendon and wife, Sarah Polk McLendon, born September 30, 1878, died January 23, 1952, married Cornelia Capitola Covington, born March 5, 1881.

Walter was named for his father, Walter Jones McLendon, who in turn was named for Dr. Walter Jones, who was a well-known doctor living on the highway between Wadesboro and Brown Creek.

In his early life Walter McLendon showed a great interest in mechanics and decided that he wanted to operate a cotton mill. He was a graduate of State College, in Mechanical Engineering, being a member of the first graduating class. It is of interest to note that Col. Leonidas L. Polk, Uncle of Walter's mother, was one of the earliest advocates of the creation of the college of agriculture and mechanical arts which now ranks among the greatest technical colleges of America, known as State College of the University of North Carolina. Dr. McLendon had previously been a promoter of the Wadesboro Cotton Mill, and Walter entered the mill to obtain first hand practical experience. Beginning at the very first stage of taking a bale of cotton into the mill he followed it step by step until it came out in the finished yarn. After several years of this experience he went to Marshall, N. C., where he built a mill, naming it "The Capitola Manufacturing Company." The mill was very successful from the beginning, and he had made plans to sell it and double its capacity in a plant at Pendergast, Tenn. Before all the business had been concluded, the financial panic of 1921 broke and he lost all his investments. He rallied together his remaining resources and opened a construction business in Athens, Tenn. He was successful in this venture, and upon retirement made his home in Athens, Tenn.

Walter was a typical "Southern Gentleman," tall and distinguished in appearance, calm and considerate in his manner, upright and honest in his dealings with others.

Walter McLendon was happily married on October 22, 1901 in Pensacola, Florida, to Cornelia Capitola Covington, born March 5, 1881, daughter of Charles Covington, son of Terrell Covington of Wadesboro, and wife Louisa Capel Covington, of Richmond County. She attended Breneau College in Georgia, and was a gifted pianist. Capitola was a

type of the old Southern Gentlewoman, gracious in manner, fastidious in appearance, with a soft ladylike voice. She loved people, she loved attention, and loved especially all her family kin. They were Baptists. Upon Walter's death, which occurred in Washington, D. C., where he had gone for special treatment, she closed her home in Athens, Tenn., and made her home with her three daughters:

A. MARION LOUISE MCLENDON, born July 9, 1904, married April 30, 1925 Howard Hooper, born January 4, 1897—Insurance business in Oak Ridge, Tenn. Children:

1. Marion Louise Hooper, born October 21, 1926, married on May 16, 1947, W. M. Tate, born May 1, 1923. Both attended University of Tenn. Living in Knoxville, Tenn.

Children:

(a) Rebecca McLean Tate, born March 27, 1950
(b) Brown McLendon Tate, born May 6, 1953 (twin)
(c) William Howard Tate, born May 6, 1953 (twin)

MILITARY SERVICE: (W. M. Tate)

Member of Army Air Service as Navigator Lieutenant. Shot down over Germany on October 6, 1944, held captive until May 1, 1945. Now captain in Air Reserves.

2. Mary Cornelia Hooper, born November 6, 1933, married February 20, 1953, William Whitaker King of Chattanooga, Tenn., born October 23, 1933. Mary Cornelia Hooper attended University of Chattanooga. William Whitaker King attended McCauley School for Boys and University of Chattanooga. Child: William Bryan King, born November 25, 1956.

MILITARY SERVICE: (W. W. King)

Now serving in the Naval Air Corps as an Ensign.

B. ELINOR POLK MCLENDON, born February 17, 1912, Marshall, N. C.; attended Tennessee Wesleyan Junior College, Athens, Tenn., University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and Livingstone Art Academy, Washington, D. C. Married August 23, 1932, Randall Wade Everett, Jr., born October 5, 1906. He attended Yale University. Employed as Chief of Marketing and Production, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

MILITARY SERVICE: (R. W. Everett)

Served in the Naval Reserve 1942-1946, as Lt. Commander, stationed at Corpus Christi, Texas for one and a half years. Served as Commander in Charge Cadet Battalion, Miami, Fla., Honolulu and Kwajalen Island.

Children:

1. Randall Wade Everett, II, born October 15, 1934. Attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Plans to serve in Air Force as jet pilot.

2. Elinor Covington Everett, born December 14, 1935. Attended college at Longwood Woman's College, majoring in Business Administration. Employed in the Department of Agriculture, Department of Budget and Finance.

3. Walter McLendon Preston Everett, born February 17, 1937. Attending college at Randolph Macon Men's College, Ashland, Va.

C. SARAH PAGE MCLENDON, born July 16, 1919, married Francis Como Simpson—now divorced. Page McLendon Simpson is very efficient in draftsmanship and held a responsible position in U. S. Nuclear Plant at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Sarah Page McLendon married second, John R. Cardwell, April 27, 1957.

Child:

Betty Page Simpson, born December 30, 1948.

III. ROSALIND McLENDON REDFEARN, Wadesboro, N. C., born January 9, 1882, died December 20, 1957. She was appointed Home Demonstration Agent of Anson County, N. C., in April 1913, and served in that capacity 35 years. She was awarded the Certificate for Distinguished Service to Agriculture by the United States Department of Agriculture in 1935; she was the "Woman of the Year," selected by the *Progressive Farmer* in January, 1944, and received the Certificate for Meritorious Service from the North Carolina Farm Bureau in 1942. For twenty-five years she edited "Woman's Corner" in the local county paper. She was a leader in church activities, social and patriotic organizations,

Past President of North Carolina Farm Women's Convention, Member of State and National Home Demonstration Agents Association. On February 10, 1900 she married James Coit Redfearn, Wadesboro, N. C., born September 26, 1878, died July 24, 1952. He attended Clemson College, Clemson, South Carolina. He was a farmer and exponent of better farming methods, served on various advisory boards and a member of the Rotary Club, and of the First Baptist Church, Wadesboro, N. C. Children:

A. WALTER McLENDON REDFEARN, born December 23, 1900. He graduated from Clemson College, Clemson, South Carolina; did postgraduate work in animal husbandry at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, and the University of Iowa, married Frances Hooks, born January 19, 1906. He operates a dairy farm in Anson County. Family active in Methodist Church.

Children:

1. John Hart Redfearn, born May 12, 1930. He entered the U. S. Army in November, 1951, and saw active duty in Korea until August, 1953, serving in the 25th Division, Company F. Attended Clemson College, specializing in agricultural engineering. Married December 28, 1956, Anne Ward, Sumter, South Carolina.

2. Rose Mary Redfearn, born August 25, 1931, died January 21, 1934.

B. SARAH JOSEPHINE REDFEARN, born December 1, 1902. She attended Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, North Carolina, and Columbia University, New York; taught in North Carolina, Alabama, and Iowa schools for the deaf—a very successful teacher. On August 25, 1939, she married Eugene Fry, Omaha, Nebraska, born September 8, 1894, died in July, 1947. Married second on December 27, 1953, Ross C. Miller on Newspaper Staff, Cleveland, Ohio.

C. MARGARET ASHE REDFEARN, born October 28, 1905. She attended Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, North Carolina. On November 27, 1929, she married Martin A. McRae, born October 10,

1897, died September 5, 1954. He was a son of John A. McRae and Mrs. Elizabeth Bruton McRae. He attended State College, then entered World War I, armed forces as a member of the College Training Contingent, October 1, 1918 - December 1, 1918. His integrity, fine character and congenial personality made him a highly esteemed citizen in the development of Wadesboro and Anson County. He was a lifelong member of the Presbyterian Church holding offices of deacon to ruling elder. He was a member of Kilwinning Masonic Lodge, member of Board of Trustees for Wadesboro Schools, member of Wadesboro Civitan Club.
Children:

1. Margaret Redfearn McRae, born July 2, 1931. On June 30, 1953, she married Reverend Sterling Jackson Edwards, born August 31, 1926. In 1953 she graduated from Agnes Scott College, Atlanta, Georgia, "Cum Laude," majoring in Religious Education, now living in Charleston, South Carolina.

Children:

(a) Martin McRae Edwards, born January 8, 1956.
(b) Robert Sterling Edwards, born December 25, 1957.

2. Martha Elizabeth McRae, born May 25, 1933. Graduated "Cum Laude" from Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, N. C., June, 1955. Majored in Primary Education and Kindergarten.

D. Mary May Redfearn, born December 5, 1910, died June 3, 1912.

E. David Townley Redfearn, born April 11, 1915. Graduated from Clemson College, Clemson, South Carolina. He entered the U. S. Army at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in December 1942, and served as sergeant technical instructor, Special Training Unit, 5th Company; received Good Conduct Medal June 6, 1944; was honorably discharged in November 1944. In February, 1946, he married Evelyn Mayes, born August 5, 1922. He is now a Dairyman and a producer of pure bred seeds. He has been President of N. C. Seedsmen Association, and is now President of Coble Dairy Cooperative Association, a member of Wadesboro Rotary Club and the First Baptist Church.

Children:

1. Sarah Evelyn Redfearn, born January 8, 1949.
2. Rosalind Mayes Redfearn, born May 17, 1951.
3. Mary Townley Redfearn, born April 28, 1954.

F. James Coit Redfearn, Jr., born and died October 1, 1917.

G. Rosalind May Redfearn, born March 8, 1920, graduated from Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C. On June 5, 1942, she married Robert Mooers Greenmun, Columbus, Ohio, born September 27, 1913. They are both successful teachers having taught in the Ohio, New York and Florida State Schools for the Deaf.

Child: James Ivan Greenmun, born May 8, 1943.

H. Helen Coit Redfearn, born November 21, 1925. She received her B.S. degree from Salem College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and Bowman Gray Hospital in Medical Technology. President of Garden Club and leader in Young People's Church activities. On April 24, 1949, she married Joseph Marshall Liles, Jr., Merchant and Civic Leader. Voted "Young Man of the Year" in 1953. Has been President of J.A.C., Merchants Association, Town Council, Deacon in First Baptist Church, Wadesboro. Member of Rotary Club. Children:

1. Joseph Marshall Liles, III, twin of Coit Redfearn Liles, born January 25, 1950.
2. Coit Redfearn Liles, twin of Joseph Marshall Liles, III, born January 25, 1950.
3. Robert Harper Liles, born September 21, 1953.

Military Service: (Joe Marshall Liles, Jr.)

Entered service April 1942; attended Midshipman School at Columbia University. He was commissioned Ensign USNR August 1942. Sea duty began immediately thereafter; served as officer-in-charge YP 461 in Atlantic; Commanding Officer of U.S.S. SC 1327 (a subchaser) in the South Pacific; and Commanding Officer U.S.S. PC 1213 in the Caribbean Sea. After the war released to inactive duty, after attaining rank of Lieutenant.

IV. HELEN MAY McLENDON, born February 16, 1884, married June 10, 1910 Dewitt Hezekiah Morton, born April 7, 1875, died December 20, 1919. Children:

A. HENRY HOWZE MORTON, born August 8, 1912. Married August 19, 1932, Ruth Denning of Chicago, Ill., born February 18, 1915.

Children:

1. Helen Joyce Morton, born August 17, 1933, married December 31, 1951, Baxter Coggins, Jr., born January 8, 1933. Children:

   (a) Stephen Christopher Coggins, born June 18, 1951.
   (b) Jeffrey Baxter Coggins, born February 6, 1954.
   (c) Christy Denning Coggins, born May 17, 1955.

2. Terrence Dewitt Morton, born September 6, 1937. Attended State College, Raleigh, North Carolina.

3. Henry Howze Morton, Jr., born February 25, 1949.

B. HERBERT DEWITT MORTON, born September 1, 1917, married August 16, 1941, Jeanette Charlotte Pottieger, born February 11, 1917 in Reading, Pa. Herbert Morton graduated from a Textile School in Philadelphia. He is now a contractor and real estate dealer in Mohnton, Pa. Children:

1. Larry Hugh Morton, born July 21, 1943.
2. Bruce Kerry Morton, born September 24, 1948.

MILITARY SERVICE:

Herbert Dewitt Morton entered service October 12, 1942, New Cumberland, Pa., assigned to Air Corp., Lowery Field, Denver, Colo. to Power Operated Gun Turrett School. After completion of course, was accepted in Aviation Cadet Corps. Assigned to Pilot Training. Commissioned 2nd Lt. February 1944. Served in Italy as pilot of P-47 (Thunderbolt) November 1944 to end of World War II. Commissioned 1st Lt. In Army of Occupation in Austria until November 1945. Returned to United States and discharged December 1945.

Helen May McLendon, after the death of her first husband, married Aaron S. Hornberger of Mohnton, Penn., born February 18, 1863, died May 10, 1954.

Helen May McLendon was named for Helen McLendon Gulledge, only sister of Dr. Walter Jones McLendon. She

attended Woman's College in Richmond, Va. She is quiet and reserved in manner with a sweet, patient disposition. As a young girl, she made friends easily and due to her attractive style was in great demand in modeling hats at the local "Millinery Openings," was a faithful worker with young people in Sunday School. After her marriage to Dewitt Morton, they lived in Thomasville where he was engaged in manufacturing. Their first son Henry was born in Thomasville. After a few years they moved to the McLendon Farm "Peru" to be near her parents and here her second son was born. Her husband engaged in farming until his premature death occurred, caused by blood poisoning. This was before the discovery of the new "miracle drugs." His death was a severe blow as he was a great favorite with all the family and friends. They were members of the Wadesboro Baptist Church.

A number of years later Helen married Aaron S. Hornberger, a prominent business man of Mohnton, Penn. engaged in the knitting mill business. Mr. Hornberger was a man of keen intellect, of strong religious faith and a leader in the affairs of Mohnton. He enjoyed travel and together they visited many sections of the United States, and usually spent the winter months in Florida. He was devoted to the two boys, Henry and Herbert Morton, and proved to be a real father to them.

She joined the Evangelical Church in Mohnton with her husband and has been very active in the women's work of the Church and also in civic clubs of the town.

V. LARRY LEONIDAS McLENDON, born January 9, 1886, married January 10, 1910, Eranda Covington, born November 13, 1886, died December 9, 1946, daughter of Thomas Jefferson Covington and Ella Capel Covington of Wadesboro, North Carolina.

Larry McLendon graduated from State College and started his farming career on the old Archie Caraway Place, adjoining the Edmond Lilly McLendon farm about halfway between Wadesboro and Polkton. He sold this farm to Dr. Joe H. Bennett, and accepted a position as County Agricultural Agent at Monk's Corner, South Carolina. After a few years he returned to North Carolina, holding County

Farm Agent's Office in Duplin County, and during World War I as Specialist in production of peanuts as a food crop. He lived at Kenansville, North Carolina, where five sons and two daughters were reared. After World War II, he accepted the office of manager of U. S. Rehabilitation Project in Halifax County with headquarters at Enfield, North Carolina. Resigning from this position after six years, he became County Farm Agent in Martin County and later in Camden County. He was very successful as a County Farm Agent because of his genuine interest in rural people, his love of the farm and his courteous, jovial disposition.

Era Covington McLendon was an invalid for twenty years, but all these years she showed remarkable efficiency, love and patience in rearing and guiding their sons and daughters through childhood into worthy, influential citizens.

Larry McLendon retired in September, 1953, making his home in Elizabeth City, North Carolina. On December 27, 1947, he was married the second time to Mrs. Eva Foster Maddry, who had served as National Youth Administration Director and Postmistress. They live in Seaboard, North Carolina.

Children of Larry and Eranda McLendon:

A. JEFF COVINGTON MCLENDON, born April 10, 1911, died February 9, 1951. Military Service: PFC. 123rd AAF Base Unit. G. Squadron, World War II. After completing this service he engaged in business in Kenansville until his death. He was unmarried.

B. LARRY LEONIDAS MCLENDON, JR., born July 18, 1913. On December 4, 1942, he married Ann Lumpkin, born June 22, 1920, in Tupelo, Mississippi. They live in Washington, D. C. where he is employed as a lawyer by the Federal Housing Authority. Larry McLendon, Jr., while a young boy made an enviable record as being the 4-H King of Health of North Carolina, score of 98. He attended Mars Hill College and American University, Washington, D. C.

Child:
Larry Leonidas McLendon, III, born October 17, 1946.

MILITARY SERVICE: Larry Leonidas McLendon, Jr., enlisted in the United States Coast Guard in February 1942.

Point, Lynch Mills in Horry County, and during World War I he [illegible] of [illegible]. He [illegible] Conway, where he and his daughters were raised. After World War II, he [illegible] the office of [illegible] in [illegible] at [illegible] Carolina. [illegible] County [illegible] as a County Farm Agent [illegible] of [illegible].

Eva Covington McLendon [illegible] her family [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] and daughter [illegible].

Lewis [illegible] 1953, [illegible] 1965, [illegible].

Children of [illegible] Lewis A. [illegible]

A. [illegible] born [illegible] 19, 1911; died February 8, 1971. [illegible] World War II. After [illegible] until his death. [illegible]

B. Lewis A. [illegible] McLendon, Jr., born July 18, 1913. On [illegible] he married Ann [illegible], born June 22, 1928 [illegible] Washington, D.C. [illegible]

Child:

Lewis [illegible] McLendon, III, born [illegible] 17, 1955

McLendon, Sarah [illegible] Lynch [illegible] McLendon, [illegible] United States [illegible] 1842.

Stationed in New Orleans, Louisiana, New York, and Port Arthur, Texas. Served aboard a cargo ship and ALS Landing Ship, Tanker for 19 months. Located in South Pacific at Guam, New Guinea, Solomon Island, Admiralty Island, Bougainville Island, Phillipines, and other lesser islands. Discharged April 1946.

C. ERANDA COVINGTON MCLENDON, born November 10, 1918. Married Ernest Malone Stallings of Warsaw, North Carolina, born June 14, 1918. Eranda McLendon attended Mars Hill College, Meredith College, taught school for a short while but decided to devote her time to her invalid mother. On September 5, 1942, she married Ernest Stallings who at that time was in training at Camp Adari, Oregon. She was brave enough to make the trip from North Carolina to Oregon and was married in the First Baptist Church of Cowallis, Oregon. Upon his dismissal from the Army, Ernest Stallings has served as Agricultural County Agent in Scotland County, Robeson County and Randolph County, and they now live in Asheboro, North Carolina.

Children:

1. Eranda Sue Stallings, born March 3, 1944.
2. Kenneth Wayne Stallings, born November 9, 1946.
3. Rebecca Stallings, born December 20, 1950.

MILITARY SERVICE: Ernest Stallings was called into service as Second Lieutenant Infantry in March 1942. Trained at Fort Benning, Georgia, Camp Roberts, California. Camp Adair, Oregon, Camp Shelby, Mississippi, and Fort Meade, Maryland, before going overseas in the European Theatre where he received the Bronze and Silver Star for Meritorious Service and was discharged with rank of Captain in October 1945.

D. WALTER JONES MCLENDON, III, born February 20, 1914, married September 16, 1939, Edith Emily Lane, Registered Nurse, born November 13, 1918, while in Medical School, Richmond, Virginia, where he received his M.D. degree. He is now a successful physician in Oakboro, Stanly County, North Carolina. Named for his grandfather, Dr. Walter Jones McLendon.

Children:

1. Walter Jones McLendon, IV, born May 8, 1941.
2. Lennox Lane McLendon, born August 6, 1945
3. Wendell Wallace McLendon, born November 22, 1948.

E. ALBERT VICTOR McLENDON, born June 29, 1917. Attended Mars Hill and Wake Forest Colleges. He went to California where he married Eloise Amacker Poyerena, born November 10, 1911, in Glendale, California, who nursed him through a serious illness for several years. She supported herself, her three small boys and Albert through this critical time with help from Albert's family. She shares the love and admiration of all the McLendon family for her heroism. Albert McLendon took a course in Public Accounting and is now well established in Montrose, California. He is a typical McLendon—tall, blonde, and thin, with features that are found in one child in almost every McLendon family. They have a lovely red-headed daughter, Carol Ann, born January 25, 1947. The boys are Richard, Gary and Gale Poyerena.

F. HELEN MARGARET McLENDON, born November 7, 1923. Married Matthew Norcia, born March 31, 1919, on December 19, 1948, in Las Vegas, Nevada. She took special training in Interior Decoration and held important jobs in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Atlanta, Georgia. She went to California while her brother was sick, assisted in nursing him, and later found interesting work. They have a successful business in El Monte, California.

Children:

1. Matthew David Norcia, born August 25, 1949.
2. Laurie Rosalind Norcia, born May 10, 1951.

MILITARY SERVICE: Matthew Norcia was inducted November 6, 1941, at Fort McArthur, California. Foreign Service: 2 years, 2 months, 16 days. Rank: Sgt. Radar Crew Chief. Overseas Service: Fort Pepperell, New Foundland. Separation: Fort Ord, California, October 16, 1945.

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VI. LENNOX POLK McLENDON, was born February 12, 1890, in Wadesboro, North Carolina. He married Mary Lily Aycock, born October 1, 1893 on June 27, 1917, in Raleigh, North Carolina. Mary Lily Aycock attended Peace Institute, Raleigh, North Carolina. She is the daughter of Charles B. Aycock, North Carolina's great *Educational Governor.*

Lennox Polk McLendon (generally known throughout North Carolina as "Major" McLendon) is one of North Carolin's foremost citizens, leader in education, in politics, and legal activities. He graduated from North Carolina State College (now N. C. State College) with B.S. degree in 1910. Then entered the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he received the L.L.B. degree in 1912. In 1955 he was awarded an Honorary Degree of L.L.D. by the University of North Carolina. He was elected Mayor of Chapel Hill in 1913 and after a few months moved to Durham where he began the practice of law. He was a member of the House of Representatives North Carolina General Assembly, representing Durham County in 1917, Solicitor of the 10th Judicial District of North Carolina 1921-1925; Chairman Durham City Board of Education 1920-1925, Chairman of State Board of Elections 1933-1936, declined appointment as a member of the North Carolina Supreme Court 1936, served as member of North Carolina Probation Commission and as Chairman of Commission on a State Department of Justice, Trustee of A & T College for Negroes of Greensboro, N. C., Trustee of the Consolidated University of North Carolina, Trustee of Cone Memorial Hospital, Greensboro, a member and Vice-Chairman of the North Carolina Board of Higher Education, manager of Campaign for Governor of J. C. B. Ehringhous. He has served as President of the North Carolina State Bar and is recognized as one of the leading lawyers of the State.

MILITARY SERVICE: Served as 2nd Lt. in Co. M 2nd North Carolina Infantry, National Guard on Mexican Border 1916-17. Promoted to 1st Lt., mustered out of service March 1917. Obtained leave of absence in December 1916 to attend as a member of the General Assembly of North Carolina, representing Durham County in the House of Representatives, having been elected in November 1916 while in service on the

W. LENNOX POLK McLENDON, was born January 12, [illegible] at Wadesboro, North Carolina. He married Mary Lily Aycock, born October 6, [illegible] He died [illegible] in Raleigh, North Carolina [illegible] North Carolina. She [illegible] daughter of Charles B. Aycock, North Carolina's great Educational Governor.

Lennox Polk McLendon [illegible] North Carolina [illegible] of North Carolina [illegible] State College [illegible] in [illegible] the University of North Carolina [illegible] in 1913 [illegible] of the House of Representatives [illegible] General Assembly [illegible] Chairman [illegible] Chairman of the State Board of Elections [illegible] member of North Carolina [illegible] Chairman [illegible] of the University of North Carolina [illegible] North Carolina Board of Higher Education [illegible] of the State.

Mary Lily Aycock [illegible] of the North Carolina [illegible] of North Carolina [illegible] the House of Representatives [illegible]

Mexican Border. Entered Federal Service again on August 5, 1917 from Durham, North Carolina. Recruited Battery C, 113th F.A., 30th Division and promoted to Captain. Trained at Camp Sevier, South Carolina, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Overseas service in St. Michiel and Argonne offensives and with the Army of Occupation. Promoted from Captain to Major February 23, 1919. Mustered out of service April 14, 1919 at Camp Jackson, South Carolina.

Children of Lennox Polk McLendon and Mary Lily Aycock:

A. MARY LOUISE MCLENDON, born May 25, 1918 (while her father was on military duty in Europe). Attended Salem Academy, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Virginia. Married March 14, 1942, Edward Kellet Atkinson, born November 27, 1913, Allentown, Pennsylvania. Edward K. Atkinson was a graduate of Penn. State University, B. S. degree in Chemical Engineering. Graduate of Philadelphia Textile School 1937, degree in Textile Engineering.

MILITARY SERVICE: Edward K. Atkinson was inducted at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, July 28, 1943, assigned to Chemical Warfare Service August 15, 1943. Basic training at Cadre School, Camp Silbert, Alabama, promoted to First Sergeant March 1944. Trained and taught Chemical Warfare Technique for seventeen months while in Basic Training. Transferred to University of Texas. Served with Food Subsistence Depot in Chicago, Illinois six months. Separated from Army, Fort Custer, Michigan October 7, 1945.

Children of Mary Louise McLendon and Edward Kellet Atkinson:

1. Edward Scott Atkinson, born March 7, 1943.
2. Pamela Lennox Atkinson, born October 28, 1946.
3. William Kellet Atkinson, born February 12, 1954.

B. LENNOX POLK MCLENDON, JR., born February 2, 1921. Attended Baylor Military Institute, Chattanooga, Tenn., and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. After his War Service, he returned to the University of North Carolina where he received his degree in Law. He married Mary L. Inabnet,

born November 15, 1921, in Monroe, Louisiana, on December 29, 1945. She was a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Virginia. He is now a member of his father's law firm at Greensboro, North Carolina.

MILITARY SERVICE: Lennox Polk McLendon, Jr., enlisted April 1942 in Air Force. Commissioned at Yale University, Communications Officer, April 1943. In 1944, Navigation School, Selman Field, Monroe, La., Charleston, S. C., Air Base, 389 Bomber Group, 564 Squadron (B-24 planes) November 1944-June 1945. Overseas duty was Norwich, England. Lead Radar Navigator for Squadron. Trained at Alconbury England December 1944 at English "Path Finder School." Received Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal. 21 missions over Germany. Returned to United States June 17, 1945.

Children of Lennox Polk McLendon, Jr., and Mary L. Inabnet:

1. Lennox Polk McLendon, III, born March 14, 1950.
2. Christopher Barlow McLendon, born October 3, 1951.
3. Brantley Aycock McLendon, born July 31, 1954.

C. CHARLES AYCOCK MCLENDON, born February 6, 1923. Graduate of Baylor Military Institute, Chattanooga, Tenn. and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Degree in Business Administration. After his War Service he took a course in Textiles at State College, Raleigh, North Carolina. He is now a member of the Burlington Industries Executive Staff in New York. He married February 1, 1947 Mary Stuart Snider, born July 2, 1924, of Salisbury, North Carolina. She attended Queens College, Charlotte, North Carolina, Salem College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and graduated from the University of North Carolina.

MILITARY SERVICE: Charles Aycock McLendon received basic training at Fort Bragg, North Carolina in 1943, Battery C, 129th AAA Gun Bn., Mortar Gunner, Combat Inf. Badge. Date of departure October 20, 1943. E.A.M.E.T., service in Normandy, France. Awarded Campaign Medal, two Bronze Service Stars, Purple Heart Medal.

Children of Charles Aycock McLendon and Mary Stuart Snider:

1. Stuart Telfair McLendon, born September 16, 1948.
2. Mildred Aycock McLendon, born June 17, 1952.
3. Mary Davis McLendon, born April 2, 1955.

D. WILLIAM WOODARD MCLENDON, born October 9, 1930. Graduate Baylor Military School, Chattanooga, Tenn. and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, where he received a degree from the School of Medicine in June 1956. Now an Intern at Presbyterian General Hospital in New York City. On August 16, 1952, he married Anne Whittington, born July 29, 1930, Charlotte, North Carolina. She is a graduate of Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, North Carolina. William was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and received many student honors at the University.

Children:

1. Katherine Aycock McLendon, born August 19, 1955.
2. Susan Kimbrough McLendon, born October 27, 1957.

E. JOHN AYCOCK MCLENDON, born January 30, 1933. Graduate of Baylor Military School, Chattanooga, Tennessee and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Degree in Business Administration. Married May 4, 1957, Barbara Lee Whittington, born April 16, 1933. Now a graduate student at Harvard University.

MILITARY SERVICE: Basic Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, September 1954, 502 Air borne Infantry Reg., Sailed for Europe in 1955, located in Germany near Munich 1955-1956.

VII. PRESTON ALEXANDER McLENDON, was born in Wadesboro, N. C., on March 20, 1893. Received his early education in the public schools of Wadesboro, later attending Wake Forest College, where he obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in 1913. He graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, in 1915. Internship followed at Bellevue Hospital, New York City, in 1916-17 and at Children's Hospital, Washington, D. C. in 1919-20.

Dr. McLendon was licensed and began practicing Pediatrics in the District of Columbia in 1920. Subsequently he became Attending Physician at Children's Hospital; Consultant in Pediatrics at Columbia Hospital for Women, Glenn Dale Sanatorium, Prince Georges County Hospital, and the National Institutes of Health Clinical Centers; and Chief of the Pediatric Service, George Washington University Hospital.

He has been Professor of Pediatrics, George Washington University Hospital School of Medicine since 1943. He has lectured at the Southern Pediatrics Seminar for several years and is in great demand as a speaker at various State Medical Conventions.

Among the organizations of which Dr. McLendon is a member are: The American Academy of Pediatrics; The Southern Medical Association (he was Chairman of its Section on Pediatrics in 1953); Hippocrates-Galen; Smith-Reed-Russell; George Washington University Medical Societies; Sigma Psi; and the American Medical Association.

MILITARY SERVICE: Preston Alexander McLendon was commissioned a lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the U. S. Navy in May, 1917. In 1918 he was assigned to the Second Division, Marine Brigade, A.E.F. He saw action with the Fifth Regiment at San Mihiel, Mont Blanc, and the Meuse-Argonne, and served with the Army of Occupation. In recognition of his services, he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Navy Cross, the Croix de Guerre, and the French Regimental Citation.

In 1915 before interning, Preston McLendon and some of his associates in medical school were employed by the Serbian Government as physicians to the civilian population. Few Serbian physicians were available, due to their service to the Army and their decimation in the typus epidemic of 1914-15. This little group arrived in Serbia only six months before that country was overthrown by the Bulgarians and Hungarians. On the way over, Preston was one of the first persons ever to be vaccinated against typhus.

On leaving Serbia, he and three of his companions returned home by way of Central Powers and had the good fortune to visit Sofia, Constantinople, Budapest, Vienna,

Berlin and Rotterdam. He arrived in New York just in time to begin his internship at Bellevue.

Actively interested in community affairs, Preston has been a member of the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, and is now on the Board of Directors of the Children's Protective Association and the Advisory Board of the Institute of Mental Hygiene, and is a member of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia.

In July 1954, Preston McLendon was elected the 88th President of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia. He has practiced in the city of Washington for more than thirty years. He is widely recognized as one of the country's leading pediatricians and is held in high esteem by his fellow practitioners not only as a clinician but as a teacher and leader in medical affairs. He has an acute sense of humor, and his air of optimism and warmth endears him to his many friends and patients.

He was happily married on September 29, 1921, to Mary Thompson, born May 19, 1896, of Alexandria, Virginia. Mary received the degree of Registered Nurse from George Washington University and was very popular in her chosen profession. It was while on duty that Preston met her and she has been a beloved member of the McLendon family ever since their marriage.

Children of Dr. Preston A. and Mary Thompson McLendon:

A. ELIZABETH SNOWDEN MCLENDON, born March 9, 1924, married on September 29, 1949, John Frisby Westfall, M.D., born November 16, 1922. Elizabeth Snowden McLendon attended Salem College, Winston-Salem, N. C., majoring in science for two years, then entered George Washington University where she received her B.S. degree in Nursing in February 1924, continued work at George Washington for two years.

MILITARY SERVICE: John Frisby Westfall, M.D. was in Naval Medical Corps, stationed at Navy Sub Base; Canal Zone, June 1949-June 1950, Camp Pendleton, California October 1952-April 1953. Pearl Harbor April 1953-July

1954. After completing this service he opened an office in Phoenix, Arizona where he is now a successful physician.

Children:

1. Deborah Ann Westfall, born January 9, 1951.
2. Phillip Kent Westfall, born May 5, 1952.
3. Lynn Allison Westfall, born July, 1953.
4. John Preston Westfall, born September 9, 1954.
5. Bruce Finley Westfall, born November 25, 1957.

B. PRESTON A. McLENDON, JR., born September 9, 1925. Married on November 28, 1953 Isabel Totten, born November 1, 1927. Preston A. McLendon, Jr., attended George Washington University and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C. Isabel Totten attended George Washington University for two years, Columbia Medical Center in New York three years. Degree in nursing. Worked in various hospitals. They live in Washington where Preston is in Government Service.

MILITARY SERVICE: Preston A. McLendon, Jr. entered service in 1942, U. S. Navy, Turret Gunner in Dive Bomber. Basic Training at Chapel Hill, Oklahoma, Miami, Florida, Camp Bainbridge, Maryland, San Diego California, and Chicago, Illinois. Aviation Mechanic, Gunnery, Radio, and Radar Schools in 1943. On way to Japan, reaching Hawaii when hostilities ceased in 1945. After the war, entered Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, courses in Sociology and Chemistry.

Child:

Preston Alexander McLendon, III, born September 12, 1954.

VIII. MORAN DORRITH McLENDON, born January 12, 1897, died May 9, 1955. Married January 12, 1921, Elsie Liles Cox, born June 10, 1900, daughter of Tyler C. Cox and Ella Liles Cox of Morven, North Carolina. Moran attended Mars Hill, Wake Forest College, and North Carolina State College. He started farming on "Peru" in 1925. He

operated the McFarlan Hardware Store and was Mayor of McFarlan and a political leader. Moran McLendon was successful in his farming operations. At the time of his death he owned the larger part of "Peru." His home is one of the beautiful rural homes of Anson County. He and his family are members of Morven, North Carolina, Baptist Church.

MILITARY SERVICE: Moran McLendon served with honor in World War I, a member of 113th Field Artillery in the famed Bicket Battery, participating in the battles of the Argonne Forest and San Mihiel and serving with the Army of Occupation.

Children:

A. DOROTHY VIRGINIA MCLENDON, born November 9, 1921. Married January 12, 1946, David Laurence Kelly, born May 16, 1921. David Kelly is employed by the North Carolina State Highway Department.

Children:

1. David Laurence Kelly, Jr., born January 13, 1947.
2. Rosemary McLendon Kelly, born July 31, 1951.

MILITARY SERVICE: David Lawrence Kelly, Richmond County, North Carolina. United States Navy. MM1c—U. S. Navy Reserve, Co. I—3rd Battalion, 19th Marines, 3rd Marine Division. Entered service August 16, 1942—discharged November 16, 1945. Attached to the 3rd Marine Division serving in the South Pacific, 29 months overseas. Two major battles—Bougainville and Guam. On Gualdal Canal 14 months.

B. SARA POLK MCLENDON, born November 11, 1922. Has been in charge of the Selective Service Office of Anson County, North Carolina since 1940, except for a period of one year when the office was terminated, at which time she acted as Deputy Clerk of Court for Anson County. Her office is considered by North Carolina State Officials to be one of the most efficient in the State.

C. MORAN ("MAC") DORRITH MCLENDON, JR., born February 24, 1925, married July 23, 1954, Carolyn Doris Brock, born July 8, 1936. He graduated from the University

of North Carolina and from the University Law School. Became a member of the well known law firm of Little, Brock, and McLendon of Wadesboro, North Carolina and is making a success in the legal profession.

Child:
Moran D. McLendon, III, born May 24, 1955.

MILITARY SERVICE: Moran D. McLendon, Jr., entered Naval Reserve January 23, 1943, called to active duty July 1, 1943. Trained as follows: V-12 Program Chapel Hill, North Carolina, July 1, 1943-June 30, 1944; Pre-Midshipmen School, Asbury Park, N. J., July 1, 1944-September 21, 1944; Midshipmen School, Chicago, Ill, September 21, 1944-January 19, 1945; Commissioned Ensign January 19, 1945. He served with Amphibious Forces Pacific battles of Okinawa, duty in Philippines, Japan, China. Commanded SCC 1220—de-commissioned same at San Diego, California February 21, 1946. Duty at Green Cove Springs, Florida. Placed on inactive duty June 20, 1946, at Camp Shelton, Virginia. Promoted to Lt. (jg) on October 1, 1946.

Chapter XIII

Other McLendons in Anson County, North Carolina

1750-1950

In previous chapters we have discussed the direct lineage of McLendons from Dennis McClendon, the Emigrant, 1696, to Walter Jones McLendon, 1847. It has been impossible to give all the names of all the members of each family generation, as they are scattered throughout the Southern States, as well as many Northern States. However, the author wishes to include those who actually lived in Anson County before going to other states.

From records available we find the following names: I. John McClendon; II. Joel McClendon, called "Hatter"; III. Isaac McClendon (Jr); IV. Thomas McClendon, Jr.; V. Jesse McClendon; VI. Ezekiel McClendon.

I. John McClendon was a son of Thomas McClendon, of Craven-Johnston, Cumberland County (Chapter IV) and a brother of Dennis (Chapter V), born about 1722. He acquired large land grants in Anson County on the Southwest side of Pee Dee River, Brown Creek and Gould's Fork. He lived in what is now White Store Township, and had many transactions with the Lowery, Gulledge, Huntley and Redfearn families of that section. His grandson, John McLendon (called Scotch Jack), married Mary M. Redfearn, born December 3, 1800, in Anson County. Their daughter, Clara McLendon, married John Lowery, a progenitor of the Milton E. and Fannie Gaddy Lowery family. Descendants of this McLendon family live in Texas. John McLendon died in 1784, leaving a will which is filed in Anson County, in which he makes the following bequests:

1. Oldest daughter Ann, 100 acres on Brown Creek in Anson County and 100 acres in Cumberland County, North Carolina.

2. Son Dennis 200 acres on S.W. side of Pee Dee River, near Gould's Fork Creek.

3. Son Samuel 500 acres in Anson County.

4. Daughter Rebecca Poteat 300 acres West side Pee Dee River, and Gould's Fork.

5. Son Simon 100 acres in Cumberland on Little River. Note: Simon or Simeon McLendon is listed in Georgia as a Revolutionary Soldier. The above named Dennis, son of John McLendon, sold land in 1782, 1786, 1788, after which he moved either to South Carolina or Georgia. The will of John McLendon (1784) was witnessed by Isham Ingram, Joseph Lanier and Dennis McLendon.

II. **Joel McClendon**, hatter, of Anson County and 96 District, South Carolina. In many old deeds the occupation of a person was often designated as "hatter," "miller," "carpenter," etc.

This Joel McClenden lived in both Anson County and South Carolina. He was a son of Thomas McClendon (Chaper IV) and brother of Dennis McLendon (Chapter V). His grants of land were made on the Anson side of Pee Dee River, being original grants to Thomas George in 1747, John Stevens of Cumberland County 1766, and Randolph Creek 1767.

In July 1774 "Joel McLendon, Hatter, of Anson County and 96 District South Carolina" sold to William Hoy of Buckingham County, Virginia, 6 tracts containing 792 acres. This deed was signed by Tamer McClendon, his wife.

In the last recorded deed by him, made in 1778, he is called "Joel McLendon, Hatter, of 96 District South Carolina," showing that he no longer had connections in Anson County. He reared a fine family in South Carolina and Georgia, and is listed as a Revolutionary Soldier from Georgia.

III. **Isaac McClendon** is named in a Montgomery County tax list 1780-1782 as "Isaac McLendon 400 A. Single." He was a son of Isaac, a son of Jacob McLendon, of

Cumberland County (Chapter IV). He also went to Wilkes County, Ga., where he is listed as a Revolutionary Soldier. He is the ancestor of the Baptist Evangelist, Rev. Baxter McLendon, of South Carolina, well known as "Cyclone Mac." A son of Rev. Baxter McLendon, Dana McLendon, lives in Charleston, South Carolina.

IV. **Thomas McLendon, Jr.**, a son of Thomas McLendon of Cumberland County (Chapter IV) sold his land in Cumberland County in 1770-1776, and deeds are signed by his wife, Louisa. He is listed in a Montgomery County tax list 1780-82 as a taxpayer, but no acreage is given. He went to Georgia, where he died in 1799.

V. **Jesse McLendon**, born about 1750 in Cumberland County, came to Anson County with his father, Dennis McLendon (Chapter V). He obtained land grants in 1774, 1778, 1787 in Anson County, located on Pee Dee River. His wife, Ann, signed deeds with him.

In the Colonial Records of North Carolina, Vols. 18 and 20, we note that Jesse McLendon was a Justice of the Peace in Montgomery County. His resignation as Justice of the Peace was made and accepted on December 25, 1786. In a Montgomery County tax list 1780-82 he is listed "Jesse McClendon 3117 A, 4 slaves."

No further records of this Jesse McLendon have been found in Anson and Montgomery Counties. A Jesse McLendon is listed in Georgia as a Revolutionary soldier, who could have been this Jesse.

It is thought that John McLendon, Sheriff of Moore County, and later appointed attorney for Ezekiel McLendon's children in Tennessee, and also listed as a Revolutionary soldier, was a son of Jesse McLendon.

VI. **Ezekiel McLendon**, born 1748-49 in Cumberland County, was a son of Dennis McLendon and wife, Mary Ingram (Chapter V). He died in 1802 in Montgomery County. His wife was Mary Dunn, related to "Grandmother Dunn," of Revolutionary fame in Anson County.

The first record of Ezekiel McLendon is a deed made to him in 1774 by his father, Dennis McLendon, Sr. for

Cumberland County, [illegible] 1770. He [illegible] to Wilkes County, Ga., where [illegible] Revolutionary [illegible]. His [illegible] of [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Mc- [illegible] of South Carolina, and [illegible]. A son of [illegible] Mc[illegible], lives in Charleston, South Carolina.

IV. [illegible] Mc[illegible], Sr., a son of Thomas Mc-[illegible] of Cumberland County [illegible] (Series IV) [illegible] in Cumberland County in [illegible] 1770 [illegible] by his wife [illegible] Cumberland County [illegible] 1790 [illegible]. He went to [illegible] in 1799.

V. [illegible] Mc[illegible] was born about 1750 in Cumberland County [illegible] McCandless [illegible] land grants in 1754, 1770 [illegible] on the [illegible] River. His [illegible].

In the Colonial Records of North Carolina, Vols. 18 and 19 [illegible] County. [illegible] December 25, 1775 [illegible] Mc[illegible] [illegible].

No [illegible] McLemore [illegible] Montgomery County [illegible] Mc-[illegible] Revolutionary [illegible].

It is possible that [illegible] Mc[illegible], Sheriff of [illegible] County, [illegible] Revolutionary [illegible].

VI. [illegible] Mc[illegible], born 1728-1730 in Cumberland County, [illegible] Mc[illegible] [illegible] 1785, Mc[illegible] [illegible] Montgomery County [illegible] Cumberland County [illegible] North Carolina.

The first record of [illegible] Mc[illegible] is a land grant [illegible] 1779 [illegible].

one-half of his plantation (300 acres) located on Brown Creek and Gould's Fork.

In the 1790 census of Anson County Ezekiel is listed as "1 male over 16, 4 males under 16, 3 females." Ezekiel owned lots in the town of Wadesboro, which were sold after his death to Rev. John Brown—1803.

Mary McLendon, widow and relict of Ezekiel McLendon, signed relinquishment of her dower July 1803. The children living in Franklin County, Tennessee appointed John McLendon of Anson County as their attorney on June 15, 1815, in settlement of his estate as heirs of Ezekiel McLendon, deceased, namely, "Nathan Camp, Patsy Camp, Daniel McLendon, Susanna Townsend."

In the Montgomery County tax list 1780-82 he is listed as "Ezekiel McLendon 100 Acres." Records in Anson County Deeds show many land transactions made by Ezekiel McLendon during the years 1787 and 1792 to 1799, and land grants 1783-1789 total 100 acres.

The known children of Ezekiel and Mary Dunn McLendon are:

1. Jesse, born 1772, married Sarah Ann Seago, daughter of John Seago and wife, Lucretia Dunham.

2. Frederick—went to Mississippi with Benjamin McLendon in 1803.

3. Patsy, married Nathan Camp, Franklin County, Tennessee.

4. Daniel McLendon — Montgomery County, North Carolina, and Franklin County, Tennessee.

5. Susanna Townsend, Franklin County, Tennessee.

Owing to the prominence of many of the descendants of Ezekiel and Mary Dunn McLendon in Anson County, Montgomery County and elsewhere, we are giving the lineage of their son, Jesse McLendon.

VII. JESSE MCLENDON, son of Ezekiel and Mary Dunn McLendon, was born 1772. He married Sarah Ann Seago, born 1780, died 1840, a daughter of John Seago, a Revolu-

tionary Soldier, of Lilesville Township, Anson County. Their children were:

A. Dr. Lewis McLendon, born 1811, married Ainsley Covington. He practiced medicine during the War of 1861-64, was a member of Co. 1, 43rd Regiment North Carolina; lived in Ansonville Township, Anson County, to be 94 years old.

B. John McLendon, son of Jesse and Sarah Ann McLendon, was born April 30, 1813; died October 13, 1873, married in April 1834, Nancy Tyson, born April 18, 1810, died December 3, 1883. The children of John and Nancy Tyson McLendon were:

(1) Sarah, died in infancy June 28, 1862.

(2) Franklin, born December 23, 1838, killed on Malvern Hill during the War between the States. He was a member of Co. C, 14th North Carolina Regiment.

(3) Samuel McLendon, born December 16, 1839, died September 19, 1920, married Sophronia Allen, born 1845, died 1913.

(4) John, born December 4, 1840, married Nellie Robinson on December 6, 1868.

(5) Elizabeth, born November 9, 1843, died May 23, 1929, married Capt. William A. Liles.

(6) Martha, born October 30, 1845, died December 6, 1924, married Solomon Richard Townsend, born September 21, 1834, died March 4, 1914.

(7) Mary Jane, born 1847, died 1927, married Dr. S. B. Carpenter, lived and practiced medicine in Ansonville Township and adjoining counties.

Children:
(a) Ada, a teacher.
(b) Elizabeth.
(c) Walter, a farmer.
(d) Nora, a teacher.
(e) Bertha, a teacher in Atlanta, Georgia.
(f) Grace, an artist and died in France during World

War II.

(g) Roy, a business man in Charlotte, North Carolina, served in World War I in Navy.

(8) Susan, married R. A. Carter.

(9) William B., married Tabitha Townsend Smith.

Parents of Horace McLendon, of Florida, and Blanch McLendon Rand, lived in Macon, Georgia, now in Raleigh, North Carolina. Her sons, Kenan and William Rand, were in service in World War II. William was killed in Germany.

(10) Lewis, maried Amelia Townsend, lived in Texas or Arizona.

CHAPTER XIV

Eleanor Dumas McLendon Liles

Eleanor Dumas McLendon, daughter of Joel and Susanna May McLendon and sister of Edmond Lilly McLendon (Chapter VII), married Jesse Liles. She was named for Eleanor Dumas, who married John Lilly who was a brother of her grandmother, Frances Dumas Lilly, wife of Joel McLendon, Sr. (Chapter VI).

Elijah Liles was born May 19, 1775, died May 9, 1861. He married Lucy Sneed, born April 26, 1778, died April 28, 1849. She was of the family of Sneeds, for whom Sneedsborough, a historic community near the Pee Dee River, was named. The remains of the old five-story brick tavern are still in existence, as well as the landing place for ships passing from the Cape Fear River up the Pee Dee River.

Elijah Liles later moved further up into the county, forming a community which became known as Lilesville, which is today a thriving town of Anson County. The children of Elijah and Lucy Sneed Liles were: Rufus, James, Jesse, Vernon, Simeon, Joseph, Caroline, Betsy and Jane.

Jesse Liles, son of Elijah, was born in 1800, died December 18, 1871. He married on July 28, 1831, Eleanor Dumas McLendon, born April 6, 1812, died June, 1897.

The Jesse Liles home is still standing, just off Highway 74, four and one-half miles West of Wadesboro—on lands purchased from Lawrence Moore in 1841, and from David Huntley in 1845, adjoining lands of Edmond Lilly McLendon. The house is located on a beautiful hill, commanding an extensive view of the country side in every direction. The plantation is now owned by a grandson, Joe M. Liles, Sr., of Wadesboro, North Carolina.

The children of Jesse and Eleanor Dumas Lilly Liles were:

1. Joe Liles, killed in the Battle of Gettysburg.

2. William Alexander Liles, born February 9, 1833, died July 31, 1902.

William A. Liles was a captain in the War Between the States, 1861-64. C.O.C. 14th North Carolina Regiment. On February 25, 1879, Captain William A. Liles was appointed Major of the Second Regiment Infantry of the North Carolina State Guard by Gov. Thomas J. Jarvis. He married first Mary or "Mollie" Huntley daughter of William Henry Huntley who was a brother of Sarah E. Huntley, wife of Edmond Lilly McLendon (Chapter VIII). To this marriage was born one son, William Henry Liles, on November 6, 1870, who was a prominent business and political leader of Wadesboro, North Carolina, who died October 31, 1945, unmarried. Captain William A. Liles married second Elizabeth McLendon, granddaughter of Ezekiel McLendon.

Children:

(a) Lendon Liles, born January 17, 1877, married Virginia Newton.

Children: Elizabeth, John, Fred, William, Virginia, Clara May.

(b) Junius Sneed Liles, born January 12, 1878, Wadesboro, North Carolina.

(c) Mary Liles, born January 30, 1879, Wadesboro, North Carolina.

(d) Dexter Winfield Liles, born October 11, 1881, died September 27, 1940.

3. Charlie Liles, married Bettie Burch, went to Texas.

4. Lucy Liles, married Elijah Flake, went to Mississippi.

5. Mary Liles, married E. W. Flake, a prominent descendant is Wilson Flake, former United States Counsul to Australia.

6. Susan Liles, married first John Winfield, issue 4 sons; second J. W. Thomas, issue 6 sons.

7. Fannie Liles, married Gaston W. Huntley, four sons and three daughters.

8. Nelson P. Liles, born April 16, 1845, married Susan Aycock, lovingly called "Petty."

Their children were:

(a) Jesse Liles, married Anna Greer, lived in Philadelphia and Florida.

(b) Vernon Liles, lived in Pennsylvania.

(c) Joseph Marshall Liles, married Annie Lee Harper.

Child: Joseph Marshall Liles, Jr., born January 29, 1921, married April 24, 1943 Helen Coit Redfearn, born November 21, 1925.

Their children are listed in Chapter XII.

(d) Annie Liles, a well-known teacher, married Thomas R. Baldwin.

Children: Thomas R. Baldwin, Jr., in Florida; James, in Florida; Sue, in Washington, D. C.

(e) Nelson P. Liles, Jr., Doctor, practiced medicine in West Indies under the Rockfeller Foundation, and later lived in Louisiana, leaving a fine family.

(f) William Liles, married Henrietta Anderson—died early in life.

(g) Rosa May Liles, married Robert E. Underwood.

Children:

(1) Robert Earl, killed in action World War II.

(2) Nelson.

(3) Isabel, married Frank Jones—5 sons.

COPY OF OLD PAPER WRITTEN BY CAPT. WILLIAM A. LILES

In possession of Miss Mary Liles, Wadesboro, N. C.

Joel McLendon and Susan, his wife were married 2d July 1809.

Sarah Boggan was born 2d Jan 1792
Joseph Boggan was born Feb 23d 1794
Judith Boggan was born Dec 1st 1796
John Boggan was born May 5th 1798
Pleasant Boggan was born Sept. 22d 1800

James Boggan was born May 29th 1804
Louisa Boggan was born March 2d 1807
Joel McLendon was born May 13th 1779
Louis M. McLendon was born May 11th 1810
Eleanor McLendon was born April 6th 1812
E. L. McLendon was born Feb 25th 1814
Frances McLendon was born Jan 5th 1817
Elizabeth G. McLendon was born April 27th 1819
Susanna McLendon was born June 15 1821

J. J. Liles and Eleanor, his wife, were married July 28th 1831

Wadiers was born Feb 9th 1833
Frances McLendon died July 6th 1819
Pleasant Boggan died Jan 28th 1825
James Boggan died Nov 6th 1882"

CHAPTER XV

The Williams Family

A SHORT STORY OF the Williams family will be of interest to many families of the Polks, McLendons, and Allens, of Anson County, and other allied families.

The Williams family is of Welsh origin. William Williams, the emigrant, is said to be the son of a wealthy Englishman who came to Virginia as a missionary. He preached up and down the Shenandoah River Valley for many years and was paid largely in tobacco, which he invested in slaves and became wealthy. As he grew older he was convinced that slavery was wrong and freed his many slaves, which impoverished his family. The name of his wife is unknown, and his son Samuel Williams, Sr., is the only son of whom any record has been found.

Samuel Williams, Sr. was born in Virginia, and when a young man moved into Chowan County, North Carolina, where he married Elizabeth Alston. In 1739 he moved to Edgecombe County, became a Justice of the Peace for Stony Creek Precinct. His will was probated in February 1754. He leaves property to his sons:

1. William Williams; 2. Samuel Williams, Jr.; 3. Joseph John Williams; to his grandson, Samuel Williams, and his wife Elizabeth (Alston).

Samuel Williams, Jr. continued to live in Edgecombe County and married Mary Dudley. In March 1757 the will of Thomas Dudley was probated in Currituck County, in which he leaves plantations to his sons, William and Thomas Dudley, Jr. and Grandson, Malakie Dudley. He also leaves property to his daughter, Mary Dudley Williams .

Only one son of Samuel Williams, Jr. and his wife, Mary Dudley, is known to-wit: William Williams, who was born in Edgecombe County and married Catherine Tyre, born 1741 in Craven County, daughter of Capt. Thomas Tyre, born 1720, died in Craven County 1790. He married Ann .... in 1740. William Williams' will was probated in 1807, in which he names "My beloved wife, Catherine." Thomas Tyre, father of Catherine, was a captain in the New Bern Brigade of Militia, appointed June 11, 1776 as Captain from Craven County. "Brigade of Militia now in actual service under command of Brigadier Ashe at the Cape Fear River." (Ref. North Carolina State and Colonial Records, Vol. 10, p. 625.)

The name TYRE has occurred in every later generation of the Williams family. The writer of this article remembers visiting the family of "Cousin Tyre Williams" of Lilesville, North Carolina, as a small child, a fifth generation from Catherine Tyre Williams.

A family tradition handed down in the Williams family is that the above William Williams served in a North Carolina regiment under Capt. Moore and made the campaign into Pennsylvania under General George Washington.

William Williams moved to Wake County after the War, where he remained until 1800, when he came to Lilesville Township, in Anson County, where he died in 1807. In his will he leaves his sons, Thomas and William, 7 dollars; William Williams, David Williams, JOHN WILLIAMS, $1.00 each; Benjamin and Dudley Williams and daughters, Marian Williams Harris, $7.00; Milly Williams King, $1.00; Elizabeth Williams Harris, $1.00; and Susannah Williams Harris $1.00.

JOHN WILLIAMS, born after 1758, son of William Williams came from Edgecombe County to Anson County and settled in Lilesville Township, and soon acquired land on Island Creek, a tributary to Pee Dee River. He married Susanna (Martin?) about 1781, born about 1765. In the division of his estate in 1816, as recorded in Bk. R. p. 469, Anson County, the names of his heirs are given as follows: Susannah, wife; Charles Vivian and wife, Tillitha Vivian Williams, Jordan Flake, husband of Penelope Williams, Del., and son of Samuel Williams. He and his wife, Mary Dudley [illegible] Williams, who was born in [illegible] County and [illegible] Va., [illegible] 1741 in Orange County, daughter of Capt. Thomas [illegible], who [illegible] 1733, died in Orange County [illegible]. He married [illegible] in 1740. William [illegible] will was probated in 1807, in which he names [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] appointed Dec. 21, 1781 [illegible] from [illegible] County. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Dec. 1849 [illegible] [illegible] Vol. 13, p. 203.)

The [illegible] [illegible] has continued to carry [illegible] [illegible] of the Williams family. The [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] among the [illegible] of [illegible]. The [illegible] of [illegible] North Carolina, [illegible] [illegible] a [illegible] grandson, Gen. [illegible] [illegible].

A [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and made the [illegible] [illegible] Pennsylvania and [illegible] General George Washington.

William [illegible] in Wake County [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] he died in 1807. In his will he [illegible] [illegible] Thomas and William [illegible] William [illegible], David Williams, [illegible] Williams, [illegible] [illegible] Williams [illegible] [illegible] Williams [illegible] [illegible] Williams [illegible] $1.00.

[illegible] Williams, [illegible] 1775, son of [illegible] William [illegible] County to [illegible] County [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] He married [illegible] [illegible] 1795 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Williams [illegible] deceased, Martin Williams, Bartlett Williams, and Joseph John Williams. Owing to the prevalence of chills and fever on the Pee Dee River, the Williams families sold their lands to Michael Ellerbe 1817-1826, and moved up in Lanesboro Township, near Polkton, North Carolina. Susannah Williams made her home with her son, Joseph John Williams after 1828, where she died in 1837. Charles Vivian and wife, Tillitha, Bartlett, and Martin Williams later moved to Alabama. An interesting correspondence between the North Carolina and Alabama families continued for many years—the letters now in possession of Miss Anabel Martin, of Polkton, N. C. An interesting item appeared in the North Carolina Journal of Genealogy and History in 1956. "A General History of the Baptist Denomination in America" by David ...., A.M. Pastor of Baptist Church, ..., Rhode Island, published in 1813 by Manning and Loving in Boston, lists subscribers names from North Carolina in Anson County as follows: Joel Gulledge, David Gold, Samuel S. Jackson, *John Williams, Charles Vivian, Dudley Williams,* John Grady.

A record was found also showing that Charles Vivian was on a committee "to buy two acres for a Baptist Meeting House on Smith Creek" (in Lilesville Township). Proof that the Williams families were Baptists.

Joseph John Williams, son of John Williams and his wife, Susannah, was born March 8, 1793, died August 27, 1874. He married in 1816, Sarah Sullivan, born July 18, 1796, died 1858. Joseph John Williams settled in Lanesboro Township, Anson County, near the present town of Polkton. He was a man of influence and usefulness, serving as County Commissioner for several years, and held various places of responsibility in the offices of the County. Many papers bearing his signature are now in possession of his great-granddaughter, Miss Annabel Martin, of Polkton, North Carolina. He and his wife, Sarah Sullivan, are buried in the Williams Cemetery, which was set aside by him on his plantation for a family burial ground. There is also an adjoining cemetery for the Negroes.

The children of Joseph John Williams and his wife, Sarah Sullivan, as given in Williams' Bible were:

1. Thetus Williams, born April 26, 1817, married

daughters, Mary, Nancy, Rachel Williams and Daniel Jesse Williams. [illegible] descendants of [illegible] and have [illegible] [illegible] land [illegible] and [illegible] up [illegible] [illegible] Samuel Williams made [illegible] Joseph [illegible] Williams died 1833 [illegible] Charles Miller and wife Tabitha [illegible] and Martha Williams [illegible] to the [illegible] the North Carolina and [illegible] many [illegible] Amos [illegible] Will, [illegible] N. C. [illegible] the North Carolina [illegible] of [illegible] and History in 1938. A [illegible] History of the [illegible] Conference [illegible] by David [illegible] Board of [illegible] Church [illegible] Book [illegible] published in 1913 by [illegible] North Carolina [illegible] Church [illegible] Daniel [illegible] Samuel [illegible] Williams, John Carey.

A [illegible] that [illegible] a [illegible] Bishop Asbury [illegible] The [illegible] that the Williams [illegible] were Baptists.

[illegible] Williams, [illegible] son of John Williams and [illegible] was born March 4, 1761 died August 27, 1832 [illegible] Sarah Robbins, born July 18, 1776, [illegible] John Williams settled in [illegible] County [illegible] married [illegible] North Carolina [illegible] North Carolina, [illegible] the Williams Cemetery [illegible] in the Register.

The [illegible] Williams [illegible]

[illegible] Williams, born March 28, 1817, married

Robert Allen, born August 24, 1805, died May 28, 1878. Among their descendants are Robert W. Allen, Superintendent of Public Schools in Anson County for a long period; William A. Allen and Sarah Allen, with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, North Carolina; Lester Allen, with North Carolina State Highway, Wadesboro, N. C.

2. Tillitha Vivian Williams, born April 26, 1820, married Thomas J. Polk, born June 17, 1819, died March, 1885. The family of Dr. Walter J. McLendon and Sarah Polk are descendants.

3. Mary A. Williams, born October 6, 1822, married Hampton Allen, born July 1814.

The family of their only child, Fulton Coleman Allen, and his wife Dora Bennett Allen are their descendants: Their children were:

(a) Hampton Bennett Allen, married Nannie Huntley.
(b) Effie Lemuel Allen, married Henry W. Little.
(c) Mary Vivian Allen, married Lester J. Huntley.
(d) Edmond Ashe Allen, married Grace Covington.
(e) Julian F. Allen, married Connie Huntley.
(f) Risden Allen, married Sallie Mae Gibson.
(g) Fred Allen, died young.
(h) Charles I. Allen, married Louise Lambeth.
(i) Ruth Allen, married Robert P. Lyon.
(j) John Bennett Allen, married Cora Hart.

4. Elizabeth Williams, born August 13, 1825, died April 12, 1866, married Benjamin Boyd. Children: John P. Boyd, Baptist Preacher, Sallie Boyd, and Mrs. Mary Boyd Liles, of Morven, North Carolina. The only descendant of this family, Mrs. Simmons Boyd Hall, lives in Badin, North Carolina.

5. Susan M. Williams, born July 29, 1828, died September 4, 1846, unmarried.

6. Isaac Williams, born June 22, 1831, died December 19, 1896, married Ellen Bennett. Their daughter, Mary Williams, married Rev. Charles H. Martin, who was a member of Congress. They lived in Polkton, North Carolina, and their children were: Isaac, Lucy, Mildred and Anabel.

BIBLE RECORDS

NAME OF FAMILY	Joseph J. Williams
LOCATION	Anson County, N. C.
BIBLE—Date of Publication	1849
PLACE OF PUBLICATION	Philadelphia
NAME OF PUBLISHER	W. A. Leary & Co.
NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER	Miss Annabel Martin Polkton, N. C.

BIRTHS

Joseph J. Williams was born March the 8th A.D. 1793
Sarah Williams was born July the 15th 1796
Thetus Williams was born the 26th day of April A.D. 1817
Tillitha V. Williams was born the 26th day of April 1820
Mary Williams was born the 6th day of October 1822
Elizabeth Williams was born the 13th of August A.D. 1825
Susan Williams was born the 29th day of July 1828
Isaac Williams was born the 22nd day of June 1831—Died Dec. 19, 1896.

DEATHS

Susan M. Williams daughter of J. J. W. and Sarah Williams departed Sept. 4, 1846
Sarah Williams consort of J. J. Williams died the 24th day of April 1858
J. A. Williams (son of Isaac M. Williams) born Sept 17, 1863

Copied by Miss Annabel Martin for the Thomas Wade Chapter D.A.R. TOWN: Wadesboro, STATE: North Carolina.

Chapter XVI R

The Huntley Family

Sarah Elizabeth Huntley, mother of Walter Jones McLendon, of Anson County, North Carolina, and wife of Edmond Lilly McLendon, was a descendant of Thomas Huntley, Sr., Revolutionary Patriot.

Thomas Huntley, Sr., was born about 1745 in Bedford County, Virginia, came to Anson County in 1765, where he died in 1802. His will was probated in Anson County April 1802. He married Zilphia Meador or Meadows, who was born in 1747 in Bedford County, Virginia, and died in 1812 in Anson County. She was a daughter of Jason Meador, who came to Anson County from Bedford County, Virginia, about 1760 and settled just across the State line in Chesterfield District, South Carolina. His land, and also that of his son, joined the William May and Peter May land, as shown on a very old plot owned by the family of J. C. Redfearn, Wadesboro, North Carolina. It is believed that Jason Meadow was a son of John Meador, testator of 1721 in Essex County, Virginia, who was a son of Thomas Meador, who was a son of an earlier Thomas Meador who came to Virginia in 1636. Thomas Huntley settled in the southern section of Anson County, now known as Gulledge Township, on the South side of Jones Creek. His grave is in a field near Jones Creek, which was originally a double grave walled up and covered over with brick enclosed by a fence. Tradition says that his wife, Zilphia Meador, is buried beside him. This farm is still owned by the Gulledge and Webb families who are direct descendants of Thomas Huntley. The lovely old Gulledge home is a land mark in Anson County today. Thomas Huntley served the American cause, as shown by army

accounts of the North Carolina Historical Commission, Raleigh, North Carolina as follows:

Revolutionary Army Accounts, Vol. V, page 32, folio 1:

> "An account of cloathing, Currency and Specie Certificates sent to the Commissioners at New York by the Comptroller of the Public Acco'ts of the State of North Carolina, May 1790."

		Specie		
Vol. V, page 32, folio 4:	31 T. Huntley—	106	0	6
Vol. V, page 37, folio 1:	779 Thos. Huntley	4	0	0
Vol. V, page 37, folio 3:	882 T. Huntley—		12	0

Revolutionary Army Accounts, Vol. VI, page 23, folio 4

"Hillsborough Treasury Office

"10 Stephen Miller, Sheriff of Anson County

35 Thomas Huntley . . . . Principal 9 2 0"

(No interest)

The children of Thomas Huntley and his wife, Zilphia Meadows, were:

1. ROBERT S. HUNTLEY, born 1762, died January 11, 1854, married Elizabeth Wilson, born 1771, died 1833.
2. Sarah Huntley, married John Little.
3. Zilphia Huntley, born 1767, died 1856, married Rev. Joel Gulledge, born 1786, died May 8, 1840.
4. Mary Huntley, married Thomas Gaddy.
5. Lavinia Huntley, married Thomas Watts.
6. Isaac Stephen Huntley, born 1778, died 1843, married Drusilla Rushing.
7. Thomas Huntley, Jr. died 1805 married .... Rushing.

ROBERT S. HUNTLEY was the oldest son of Thomas Huntley and his wife, Zilphia Meadows or Meador.

He married Elizabeth Wilson, called Betsy. She was the daughter of Robert Wilson and the granddaughter of Samuel Wilson, who lived in Bedford County, Virginia, and were Revolutionary Patriots.

Tradition says that Robert S. Huntley and wife "Betsy" Wilson, brought a hogshead of tobacco with them from Virginia to Anson County, North Carolina. He lived on Jones

Creek in Anson County, and in his old age was lovingly called "Grand Sir Bob."

He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, as is shown by the account of his death in the Pee Dee Star, of Wadesboro, issue June 24, 1854. The original old newspaper is now in the Library of Congress, in Washington, D. C. and a photostatic copy discloses that an account of the death of Robert Huntley, Sr., which occurred in his 93rd year was published as follows:

"Departed this life at his residence in Anson Co., on the 11th day of January, 1854, Robert Huntly, senr. in the 93rd year of his age. Brother Huntly was a soldier in the great struggle of his country for liberty—was placed as guard in the battle at Camden when Gates was defeated—afterwards aided as one of a scouting party to subdue the tories. Such was his regard for his fellowmen, we have heard him say he never wished to shed innocent blood. But he had served as a soldier for about 50 years under the banner of the King of Saints. . . ."

The children of Robert S. Huntley and his wife, Betsy Wilson, were:

Sarah E. Huntley, born 1783(?), died 1836, married Nimrod Redfearn, born 1775, died November 6, 1829.

Elijah Huntley, married Louise Swa..........

ROBERT S. (Dry Bob) HUNTLEY, JR., born 1790, died 1863, married JANE HENRY, born 1816, died May 3, 1854.

Elizabeth Huntley, died February 18, 1883, married first Asa Faulkner, died 1806; second John Webb, born 1777, died 1835, married 1817.

Rebecca Huntley, born 1788, died 1853, married Malachi Gulledge, born 1787, died May 18, 1848.

Lydia Huntley, married Elijah Cason.

Thomas Huntley, born November 5, 1794, died May 14, 1863, married Mary W. Cason, born June 22, 1793, died April 4, 1863.

David Huntley, born April 5, 1791, died June 4, 1851, married Mary Bell, born September 9, 1792, died February 4, 1862.

Sarah Elizabeth Huntley, mother of Walter Jones McLendon, was a daughter of the above Robert S. Huntley and his wife, Jane Henry. The Huntley cemetery is located near the old home of Robert S. and Jane Henry, now owned by R. E. Capel, Jr., of Anson County, in Gulledge Township.

Chapter XVII

Captain Patrick Boggan

Walter Jones McLendon is a direct descendant of Capt. Patrick Boggan. Through Edmond Lilly McLendon, Susanna May, wife of Joel McLendon, Mary Boggan, wife of John May and daughter of Patrick Boggan.

Patrick Boggan came to America about 1765 from Ireland, being a son of Sir Walter Boggan, of Castle Finn, Donegal County, Ireland. His sister, Jane Boggan, married Col. Thomas Wade, for whom the town of Wadesboro, North Carolina is named. He married Mary Dobbs, or Dabbs, of Wake County, North Carolina, whose will is also on file in Anson County, dated June 23, 1826. Their children were:

1. Patrick Boggan, Jr., married Martha Davidson, went to Alabama.
2. Richard Boggan, wife unknown.
3. Jane, married Pleasant May, went to Alabama.
4. Mary, married John May, in Anson County. Later members of the May family married into Hammond and Bennett families.
5. Fannie, married James Cash.
6. Peggy, married Col. Ingo Dozier Cash. Family in South Carolina.
7. Nellie, married Maj. William Hammond, Anson County, North Carolina and Georgia.
8. Flora, married Col. Joseph Picket, Anson County.
9. Lydia, married Moses Coppedge. Families in North and South Carolina.

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICES

As early as 1768 an outbreak on the part of Anson County seems to have been the first open resistance to the oppression of the crown of England.

From the files of William K. Boggan, deceased, former Clerk of Court of Anson County, we quote:

> "Patrick Boggan was one of the signers of the immortal Petition sent to Governor Tryon by the liberty-loving patriotic men of Anson County on an April day 1768, when these men removed the King's court from the Bench in the first Court House of Anson County, took possession, and formulated the great Petition in which a demand was made for the election of County Officers by the people. This was the beginning of the War of the Regulation, as well as the beginning of the War of the Revolution.
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> "Patrick Boggan sent a petition to Gov. Tryon asking that cattle not be driven through Anson County, as the droves of cattle left diseases among the native cattle. An act was passed later by the General Assembly, allowing Patrick Boggan 'to buy cattle and salt it down in brine for the militia to use in the winter thro' the strenuous times'."

Captain Patrick Boggan is said to have owned seven square miles of land, if it could have been placed in one tract. He also was the founder of the present city of Wadesboro, giving six acres of land for this purpose. His authority came by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of North Carolina in 1783. As a citizen of Anson County he became a man of great force and influence in a short time. The three outstanding men in Anson County in this period were Capt. Patrick Boggan, Judge Samuel Spencer and Col. Thomas Wade.

Many families of Anson County are descendants of Patrick Boggan. Branches of the Bennett, Liles, McLENDON, Winfield, Redfearn, May, Hammond, Thomas, Little, Myers, Lockhart, Gilmore, McRae, DeBerry and Cash families can trace their ancestry back to this illustrious soldier, Capt. Patrick Boggan, who died in 1817, near Wadesboro. His grave was marked with impressive ceremonies by the Thomas Wade Chapter D.A.R. on December 2, 1931.

CHAPTER XVIII

Miss Rosalind

BY HUNDREDS OF people, White and Negro alike, and even by her own children, she was known and addressed as Miss Rosalind. It was a term of respect and affection — respect, because of her remarkable and often superior knowledge on many subjects —and affection, because she had a way of walking right into people's hearts. She really loved people—all kinds of people—and nothing pleased her more than to feel that she had helped someone. She had the happy faculty of talking and working *with* people—she never talked down to them nor did she *tell* them what to do. On the contrary, she talked *with* them and showed them what to do and how to do it. The flowers, shrubs and trees she planted and persuaded others to plant will long continue to teach her simple and appealing philosophy that our lives are made the better by pride of possession of beautiful things. It was a part of her faith in people, as strong as her faith in the eternal goodness of God, that cleanliness and beauty will make people happier and their homes brighter and more lovable. She was probably the best known woman of her generation in Anson County. It is understandable that people so often described her as "a wonderful woman."

Miss Rosalind's sister and brothers would like for those who may peruse the pages of this little book to know that she wrote every word of it. Even Mrs. B. W. Ingram of Wadesboro, an expert genealogist and warm personal friend, when asked to criticise the manuscript said: "It's Miss Rosalind's work—her personality is on every page—don't change it." The book is, in truth, a reflection of Miss Rosalind's genuine love for her family and her belief that the history of a family is well worth preserving.

After the death of our father, Miss Rosalind was the recognized head of our family and her home became the gathering place for the McLendon Clan. Our father had a nickname for each of his six sons and two daughters—he called her "Roe." With a twinkle in his eyes, he would sometimes declare in the family circle: "You boys better watch out—if you don't mind Roe will be the best man in the family." Her devotion to all members of the family, from the oldest to the youngest, kept the family ties strong and unbroken.

Miss Rosalind died at her home in Wadesboro on the twentieth of December, 1957, without having seen a copy of this book, it then being in the hands of the printer. In the last days of her illness, she was concerned about "how the book ends," thus demonstrating a lifelong trait of working always to improve and make better everything she undertook. And so, her surviving sister and brothers would like for the book to end with this inadequate tribute to a wonderful woman, a beautiful character and our beloved sister—Miss Rosalind.

Helen McLendon Hornberger
Larry L. McLendon
Lennox P. McLendon
Preston A. McLendon

January, 1958.

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Dear Rev. Lanier,

I was so glad to see you and Mrs. Lanier & appreciated the visit.

Thanks very much for the articles you have sent me, they are really beautiful, I will cherish them, and they have a place in my book of articles of like nature.

Hope to see you again

Sincerely,
Cousin → Helen M. Hornberger